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INTRODUCTION

Gypsum mining began in Nova Scotia in the eighteenth century and has continued and expanded to present-day activity. During this period numerous companies operated small quarries, processing plants and shipping facilities in several regions of the Province. Many of these companies have long ceased operation or transferred their properties to other companies, some of which marked the beginning of the present-day operators.

Gypsum, under our existing Mineral Resources Act, is not a crown mineral. In 1858 gypsum was changed from a crown mineral to surface right ownership whereby the landowner owns the gypsum on his property. Attempts were made to bring gypsum back to the status of a crown mineral in 1935 but were not successful. Also, beginning several years ago in many regions of the province a scheme was devised whereby the rights to gypsum were bought or leased by individuals or companies interested in gypsum mining. These contracts or purchases allowed the landowner to stay on his land but surrender the gypsum to someone else. In most cases the gypsum on these properties was never mined or even explored while in other instances the rights owners likely know the reserves available to them.

Knowing the extent and locations of these gypsum rights is the only way to direct new companies to areas where there may be gypsum deposits available to them. It also makes it possible to provide information on rights holders with whom contacts could be made by interested companies.

To this end, research and chronological documentation was carried out with gypsum information available in the NSDME library, the public archives, the university libraries, several Registries of Deeds, and L.R.I.S. and municipal assessment offices. Emphasis was placed on company activities, property ownership and gypsum rights.

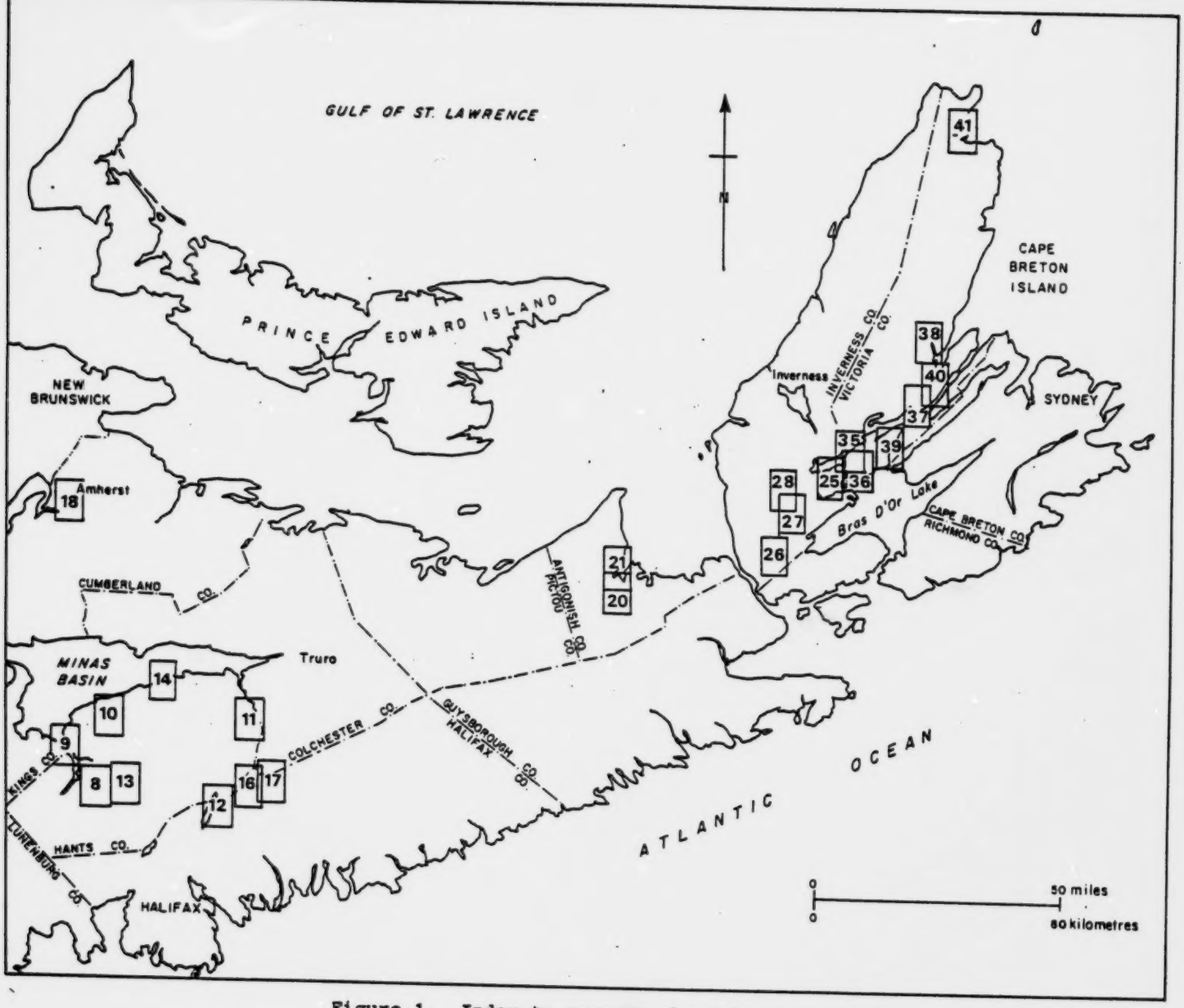
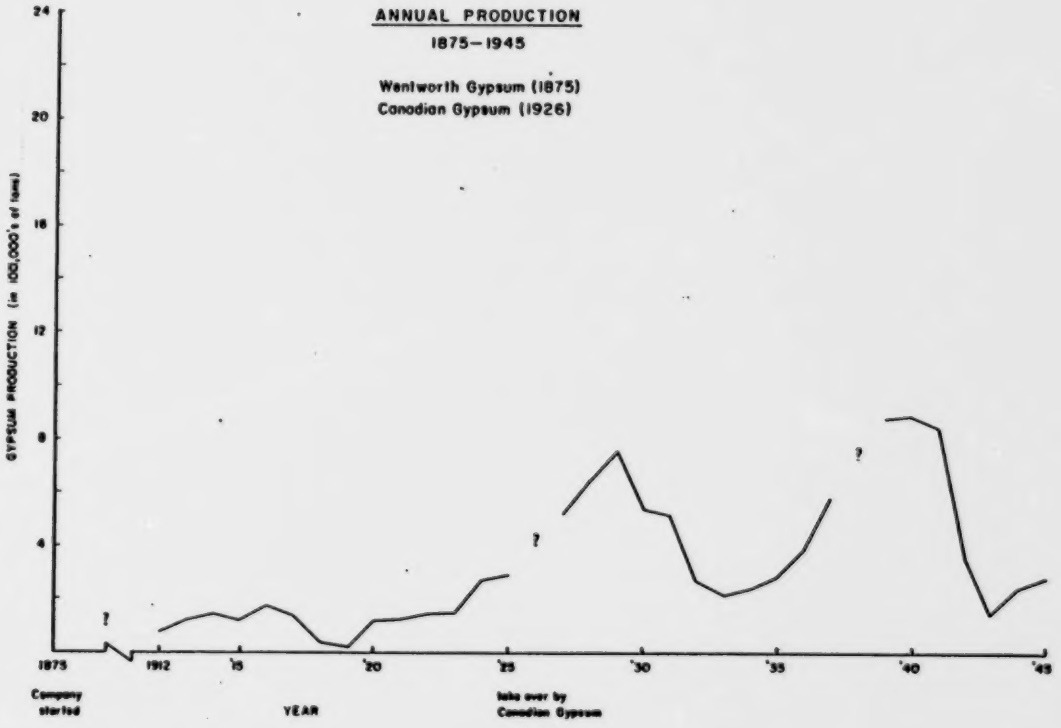


Figure 1. Index to property location maps.

HANTS COUNTY

J. B. King and E. Dimock both conveyed gypsum leases to Wentworth Gypsum Co., for a perpetual term. This company began in 1875 and all gypsum produced was taken by J. B. King and Co. of New York. In 1926 Wentworth Gypsum was taken over by the Canadian Gypsum Co. and one year later Newport Plaster Mining and Manufacturing Co.'s property, of which J. B. King was the principal owner, was taken over as well. This last contained 35 gypsum leases, an inventory of which is included in the deed. After this time it seems that Canadian Gypsum (Fundy Gypsum after 1962) did not pick up anymore gypsum leases but did acquire a great deal of land in fee simple (see Figs. 6, 7 and 14). Few of their leases have been located.



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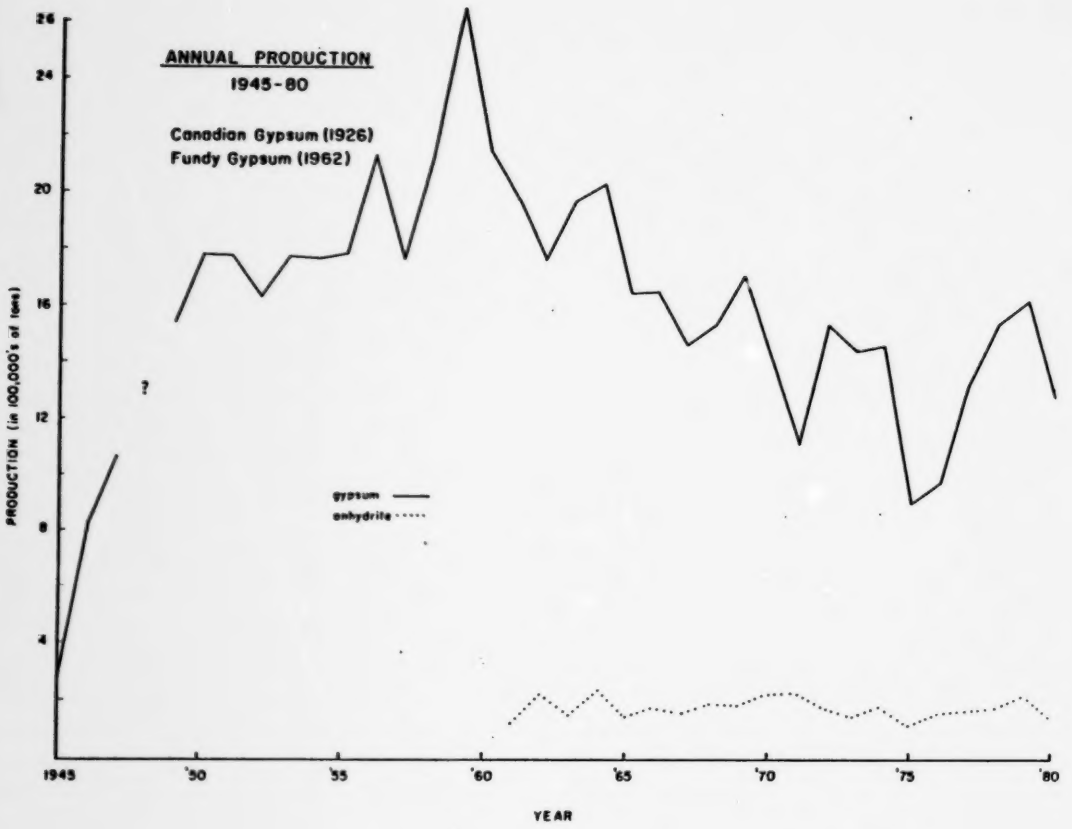


Figure 3. Annual production (1945-1980); Canadian Gypsum Company and Fundy Gypsum Company.

The Rock Plaster Corp., New York and Nova Scotia Gypsum Co., Atlantic Gypsum Products and National Gypsum Co. all worked the Walton quarries on the Churchill estate down through the years. But Churchill Estates, Ltd. only granted short term gypsum leases, usually of 5 to 10 years. The Churchills sold a great deal of their property in and around 1927 but withheld the gypsum on it and continued to lease it out. In this way they were able to keep more than 5000 acres of leases. National did not renew its leases on the Churchill quarries after 1964 and from then until 1970 they were leased by B. A. Parsons Ltd. who worked them, under contract for National. Some of the Churchill leases and fee simple properties are shown in figure 8.

In addition to these, National also purchased the leases, approximately 600 acres, of the Connecticut Adamant Plaster Co., in 1957. These were "deeds of plaster" where all the gypsum on a tract of land became the property of the grantee making a term or time limit unnecessary. These have not been located. Universal Gypsum Co. also sold property to National, around 1936, as did Bestwall in 1961.

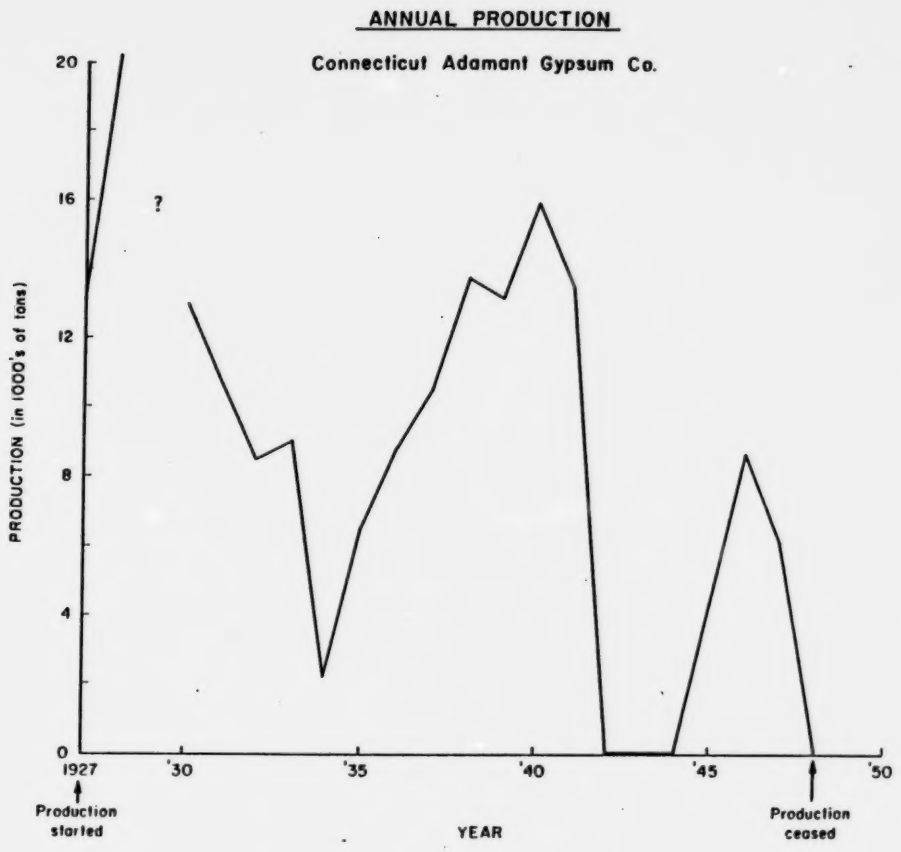


Figure 4. Annual production; Connecticut Adamant Gypsum Company.

Harry B. McCurdy obtained options to purchase deeds of gypsum from individuals, in Hants, within a three year period. He later purchased the deeds and in 1953 sold them to National. The properties in Hants County were actually part of a larger transaction with most of the properties lying in Halifax County and a few in Colchester. Out of approximately 1500 acres in Hants, 760 acres have been located (see Figs. 9 and 10). Included in the same parcel were about 16 unexercised options which it appears National never exercised.

The Windsor Plaster Co. was started in 1891 and its calcinating plant in Windsor has been operating ever since. Its gypsum products were shipped throughout the Maritime Provinces and to Montreal. In 1956 Windsor Plaster was purchased by the Gypsum Lime and Alabastine Co. of Toronto. Then, in 1962, this company was in turn taken over by Domtar Construction Materials, Ltd. The property and leases listed in the deed from Windsor Plaster to Gypsum Lime and Alabastine can be seen still intact in the deed to Domtar (see A1a). These include six gypsum leases containing about 300 acres. Domtar's property held in fee simple is shown on Figs. 6 and 11. The leases have not been located.

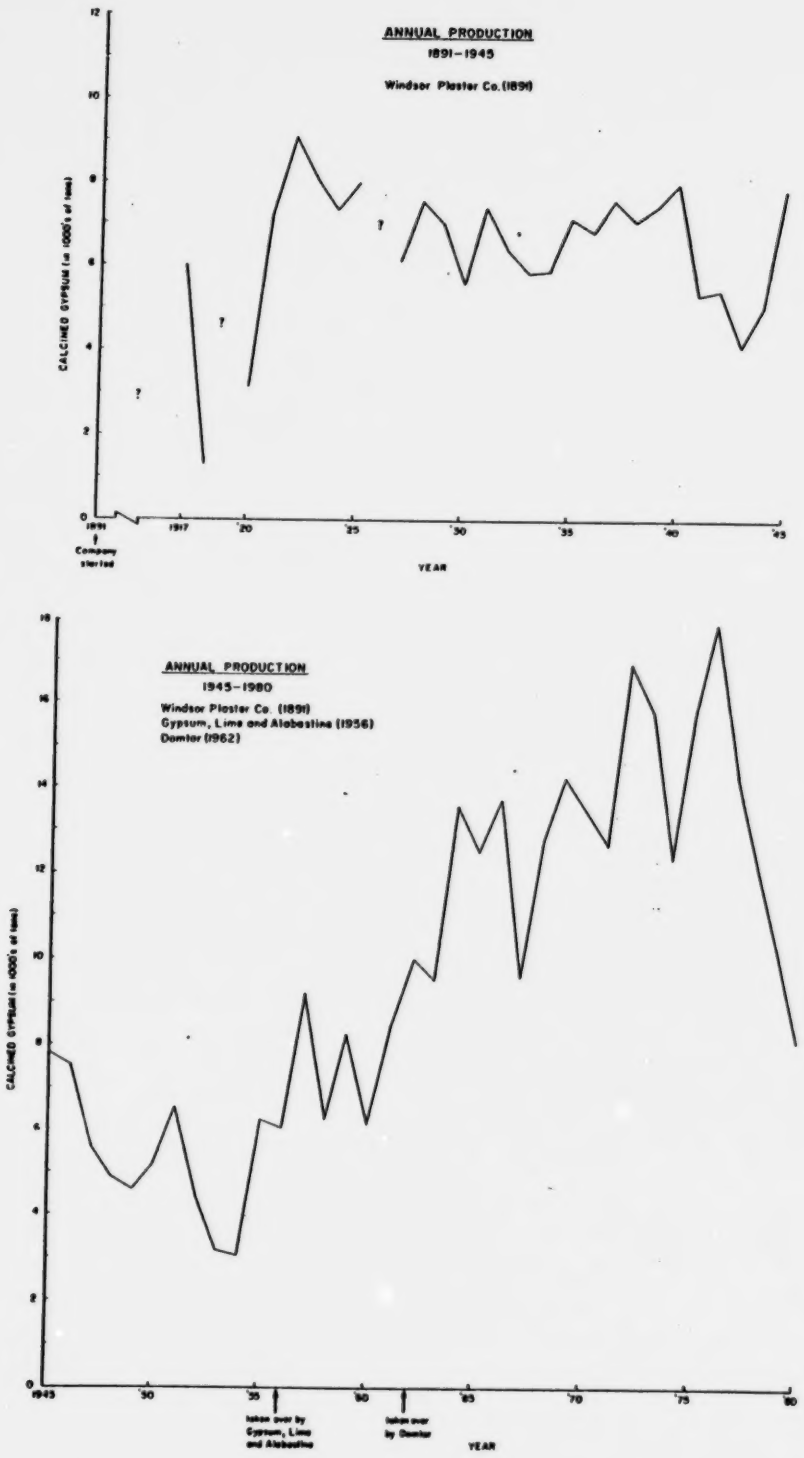


Figure 5. Annual production; Windsor Plaster Company; Gypsum, Lime and Alabastine Company and Domtar.

Windsor Gypsum was a major producer in the county from 1885 to 1934. It is no longer registered as a landowner and most of its leases were short term.

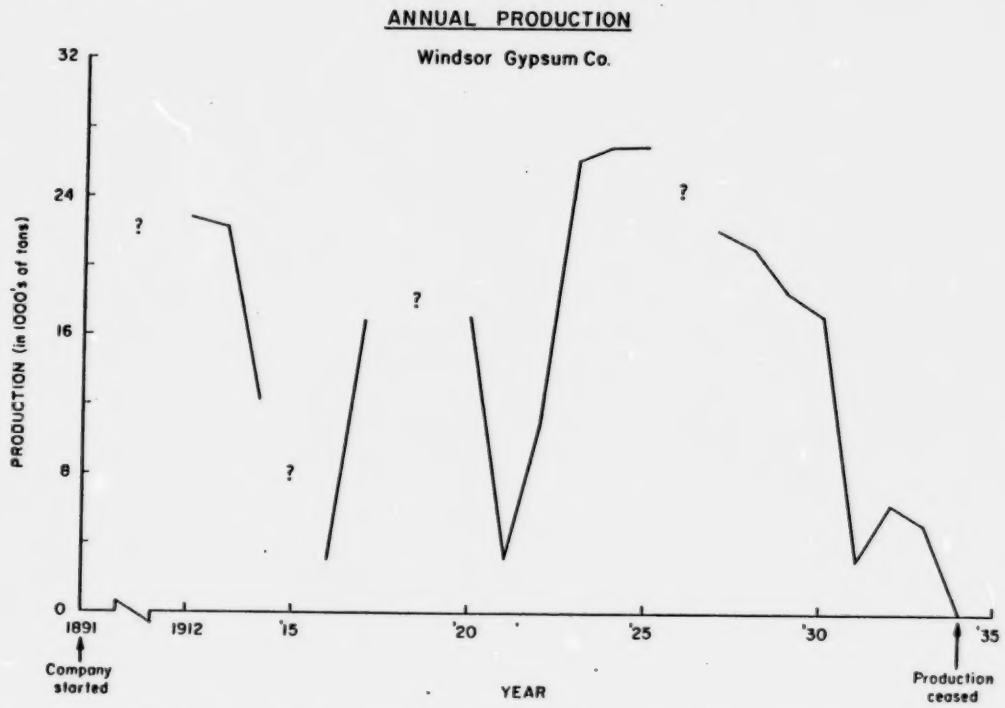
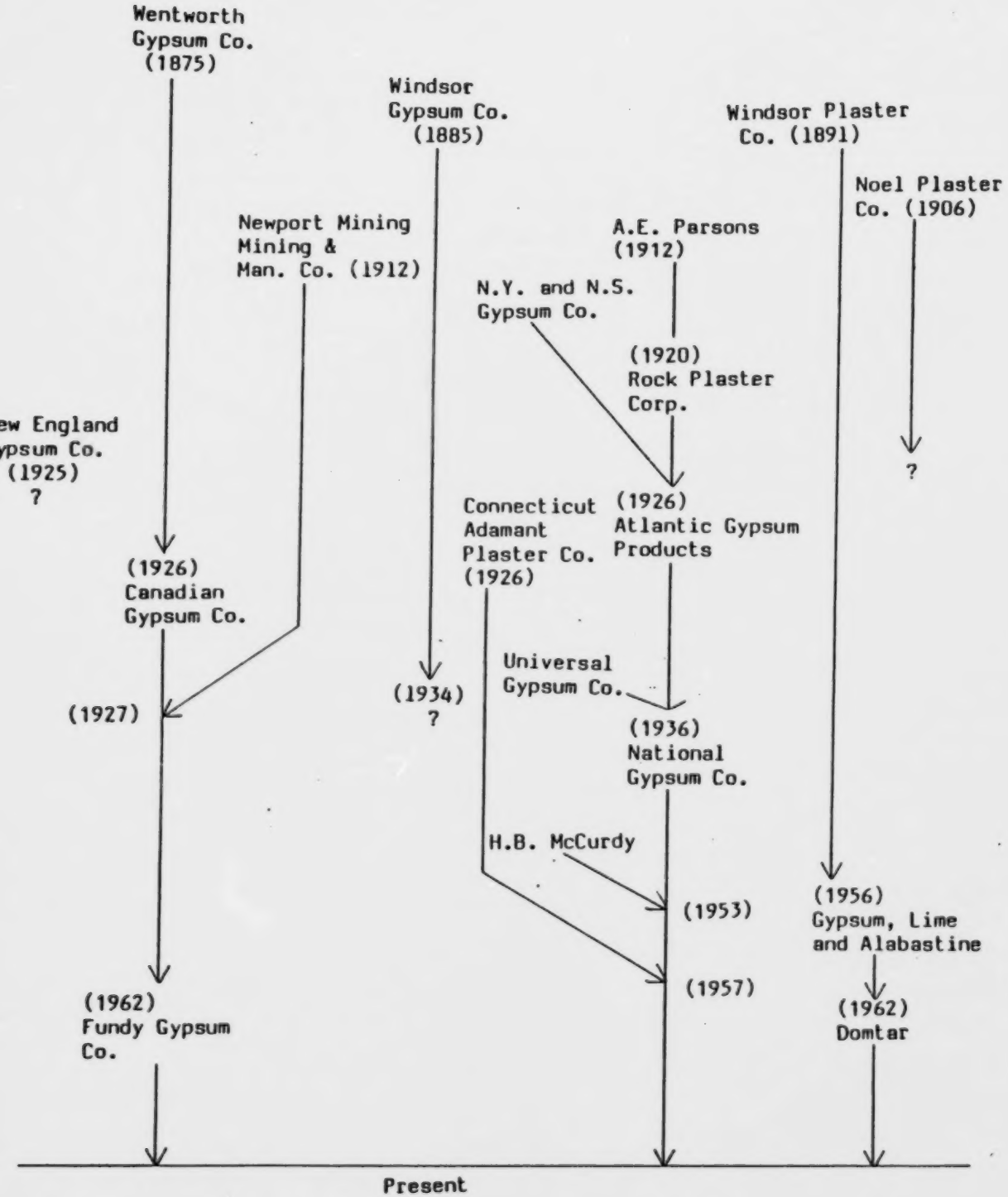


Figure 6. Annual production; Windsor Gypsum Company.

Noel Plaster Co. was a small operator and produced from 1906 to about 1914. All the gypsum it quarried was taken by J. B. King. The company is registered as owner of one plot of land as shown on Fig. 12.

The Hants assessment office did not employ a mapmaker until recently, therefore, the only property mapping done, besides LRIS, is the Crown Grants sheets of original grants. This makes it difficult to locate leases which are not either very old or very recent. It could be done, though, by tracing the lessees' property back to the original grant or forward where it could be located on L.R.I.S. mapping if it has not been too extensively subdivided.



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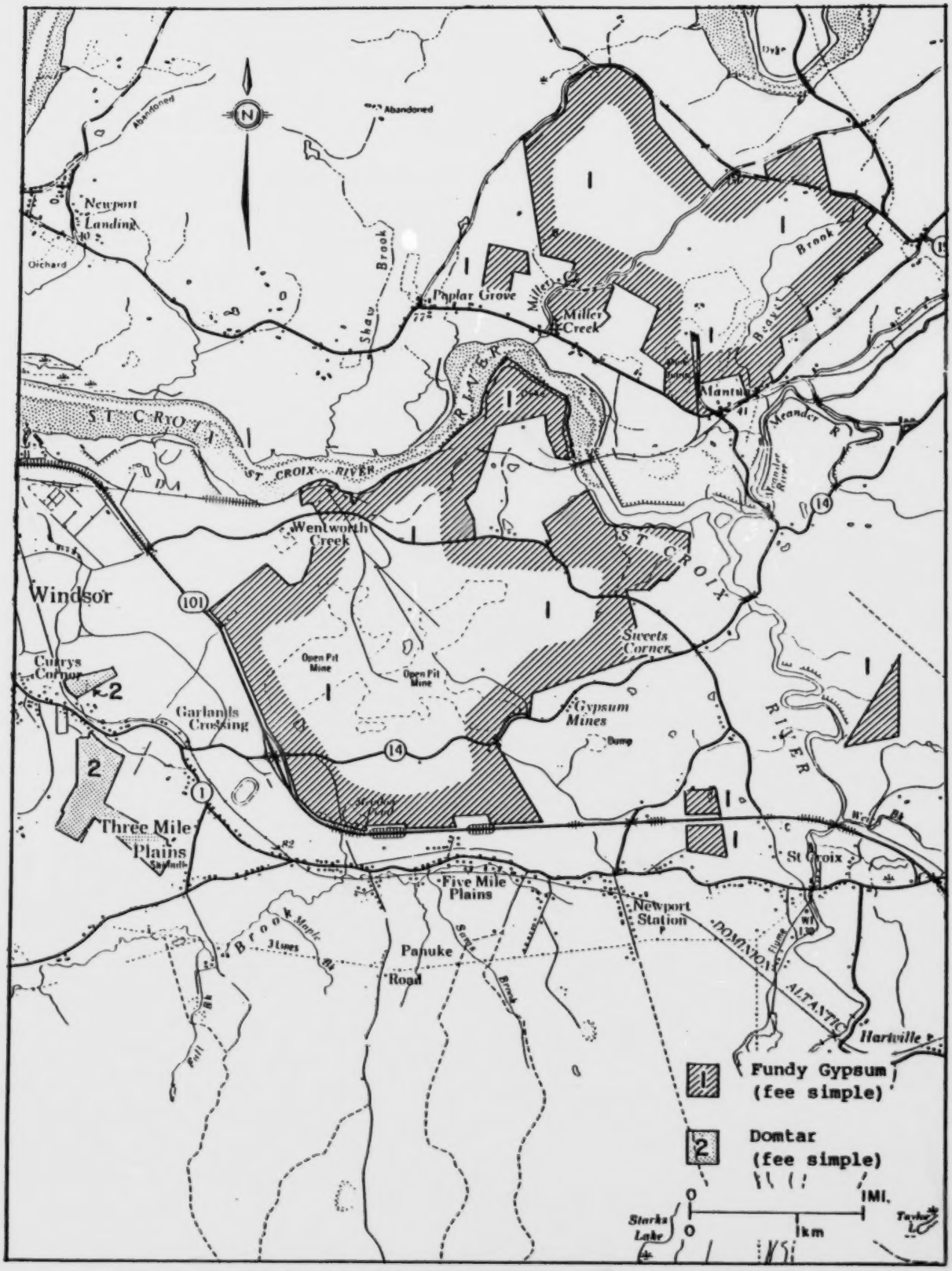
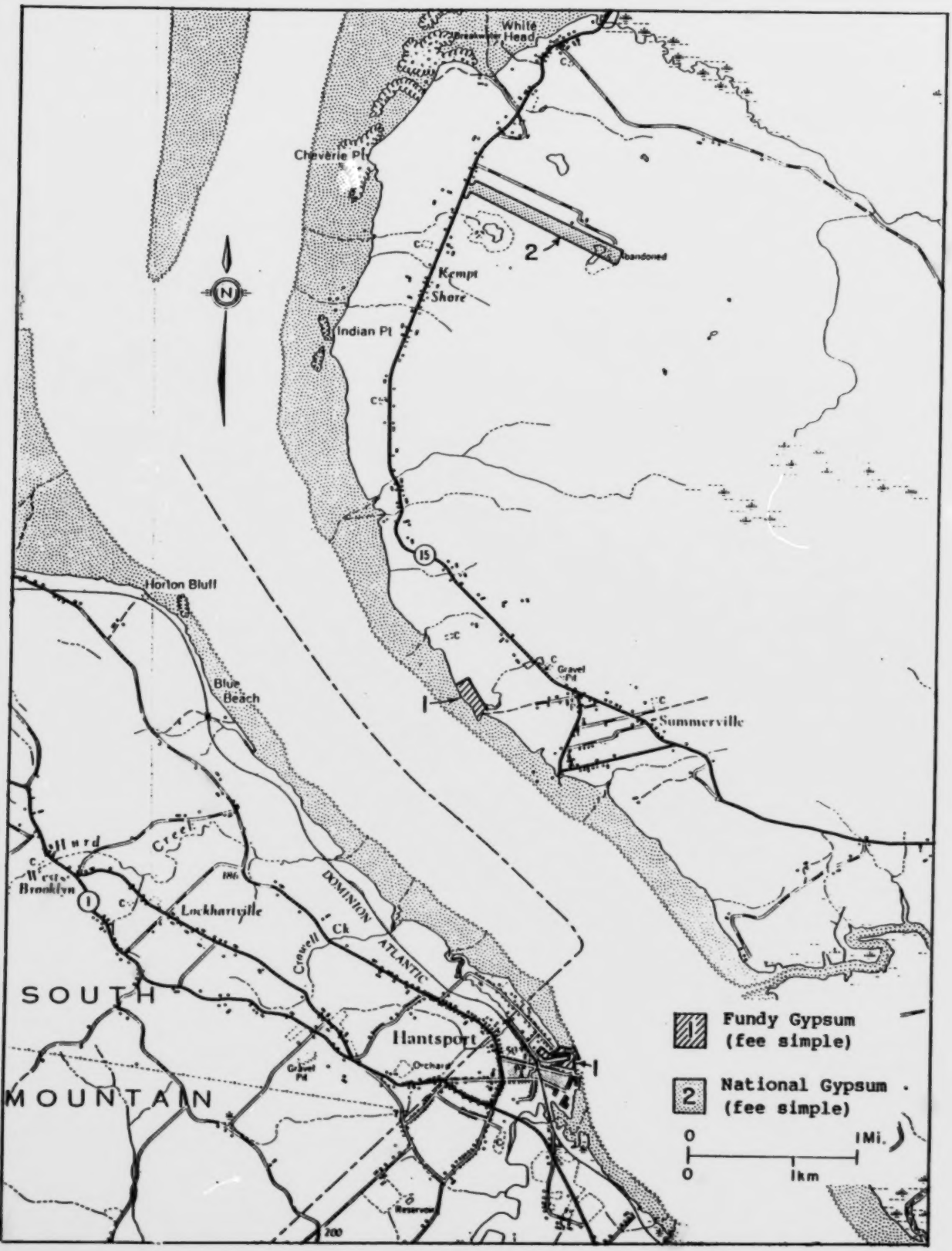


Figure 8. Property location map: Gypsum Mines, Hants County.



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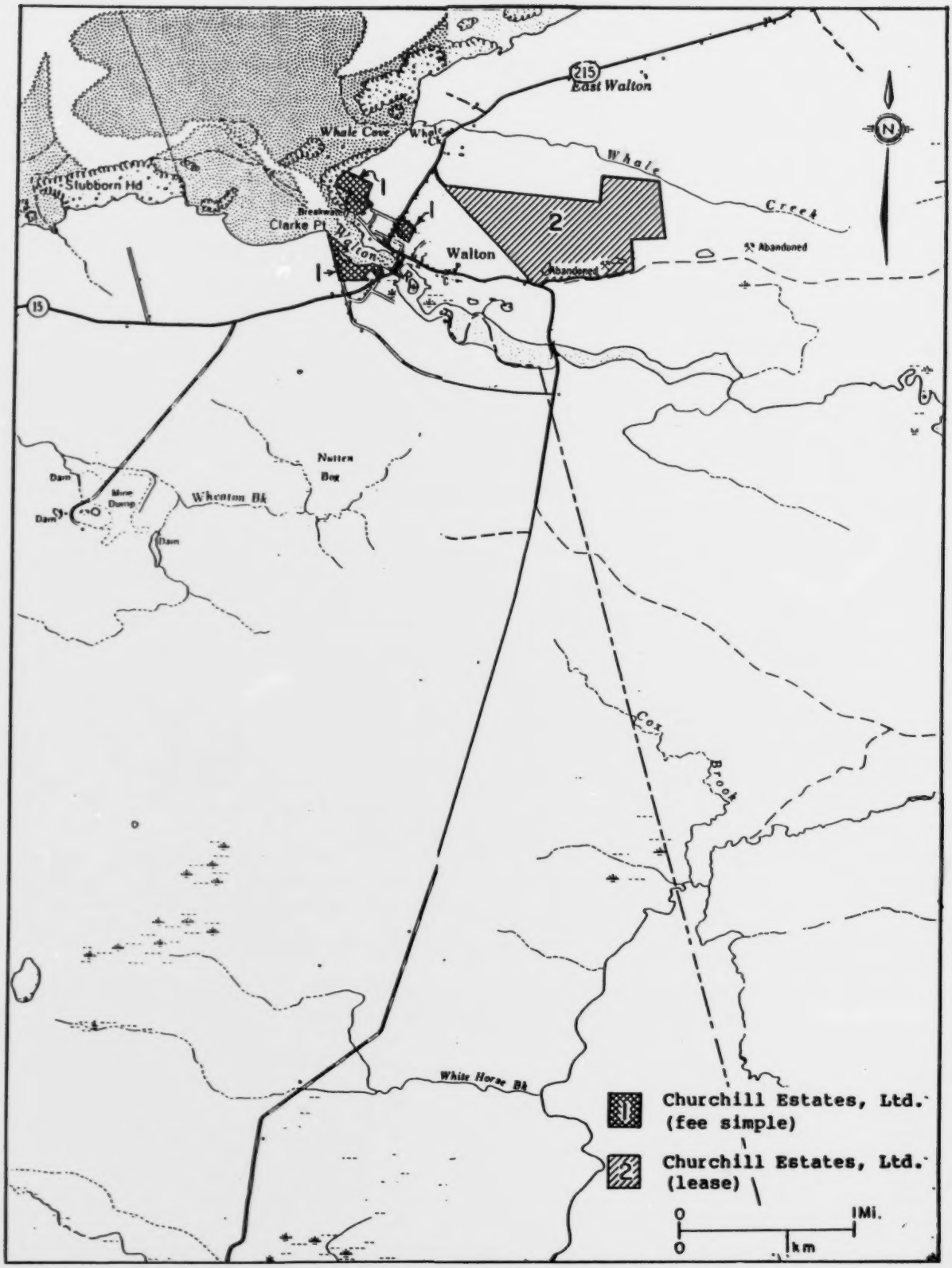

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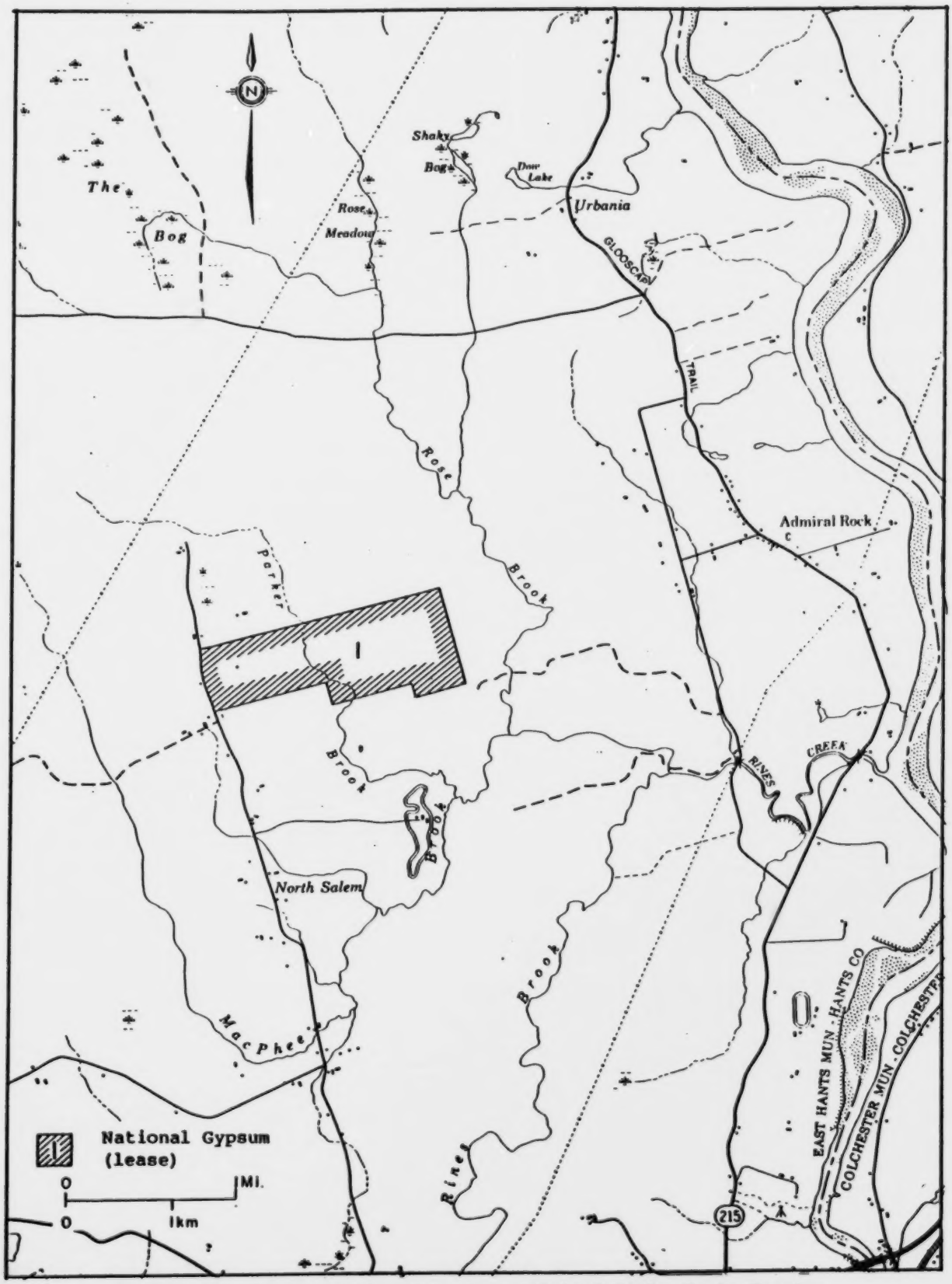

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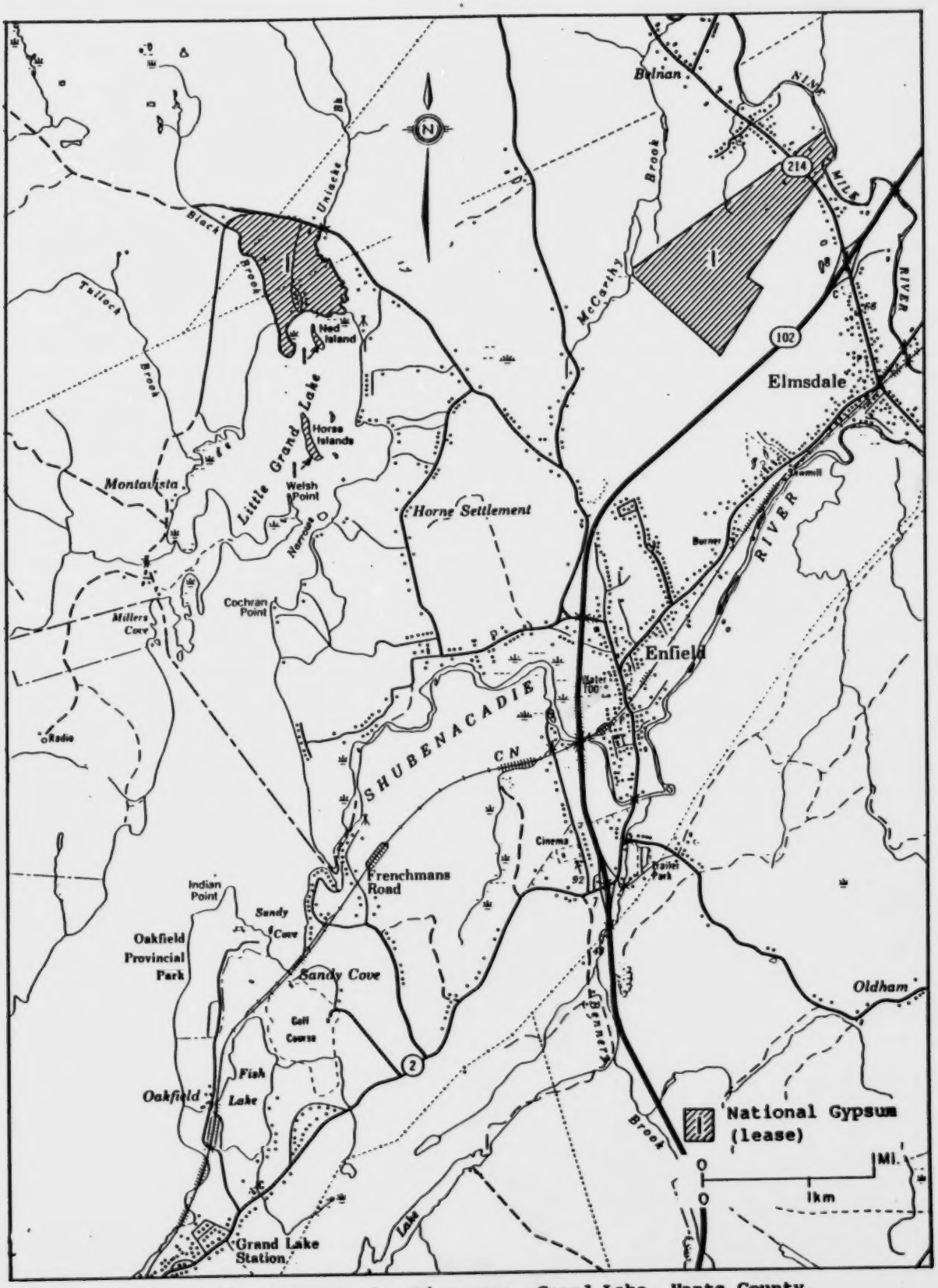

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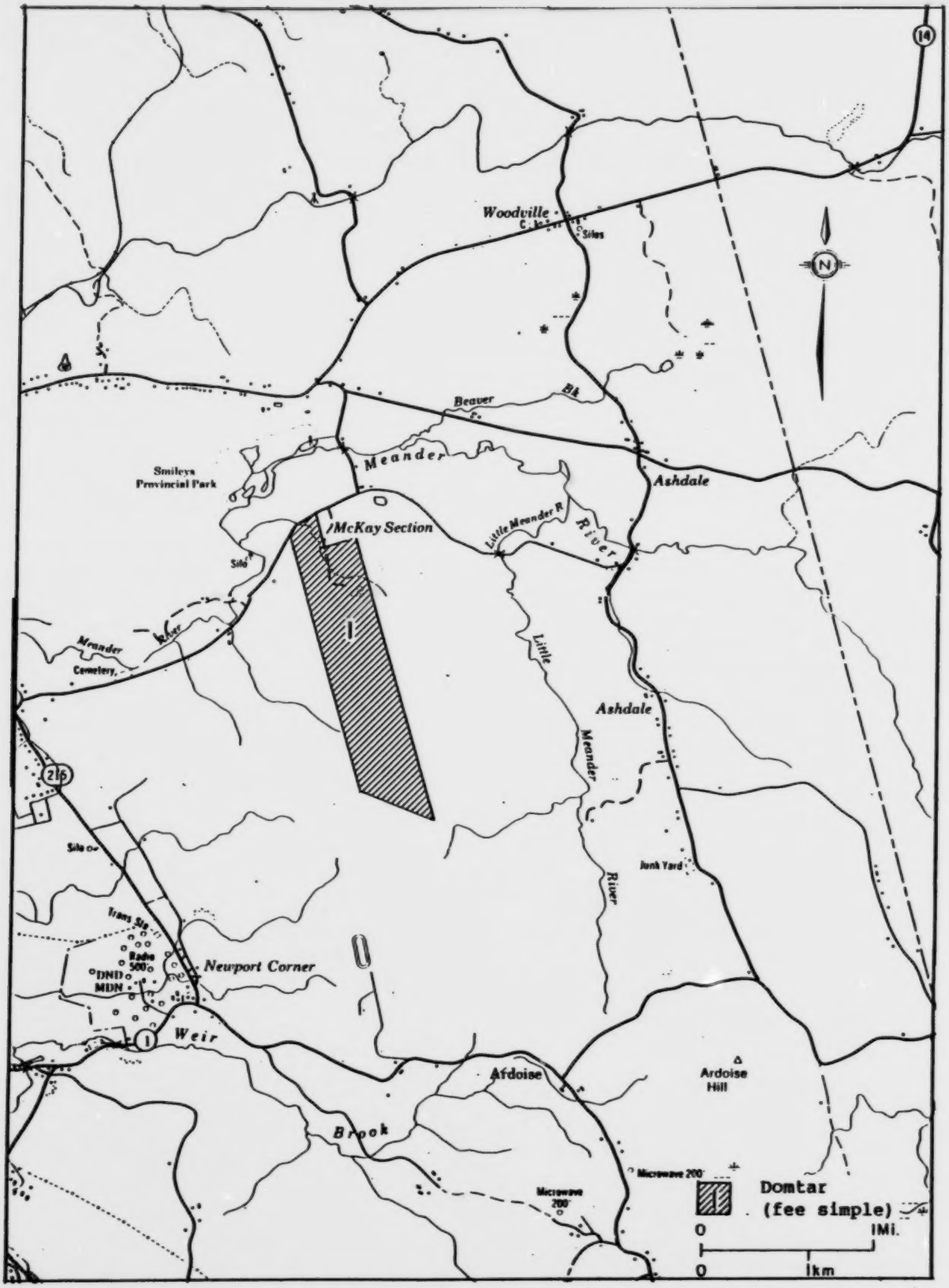

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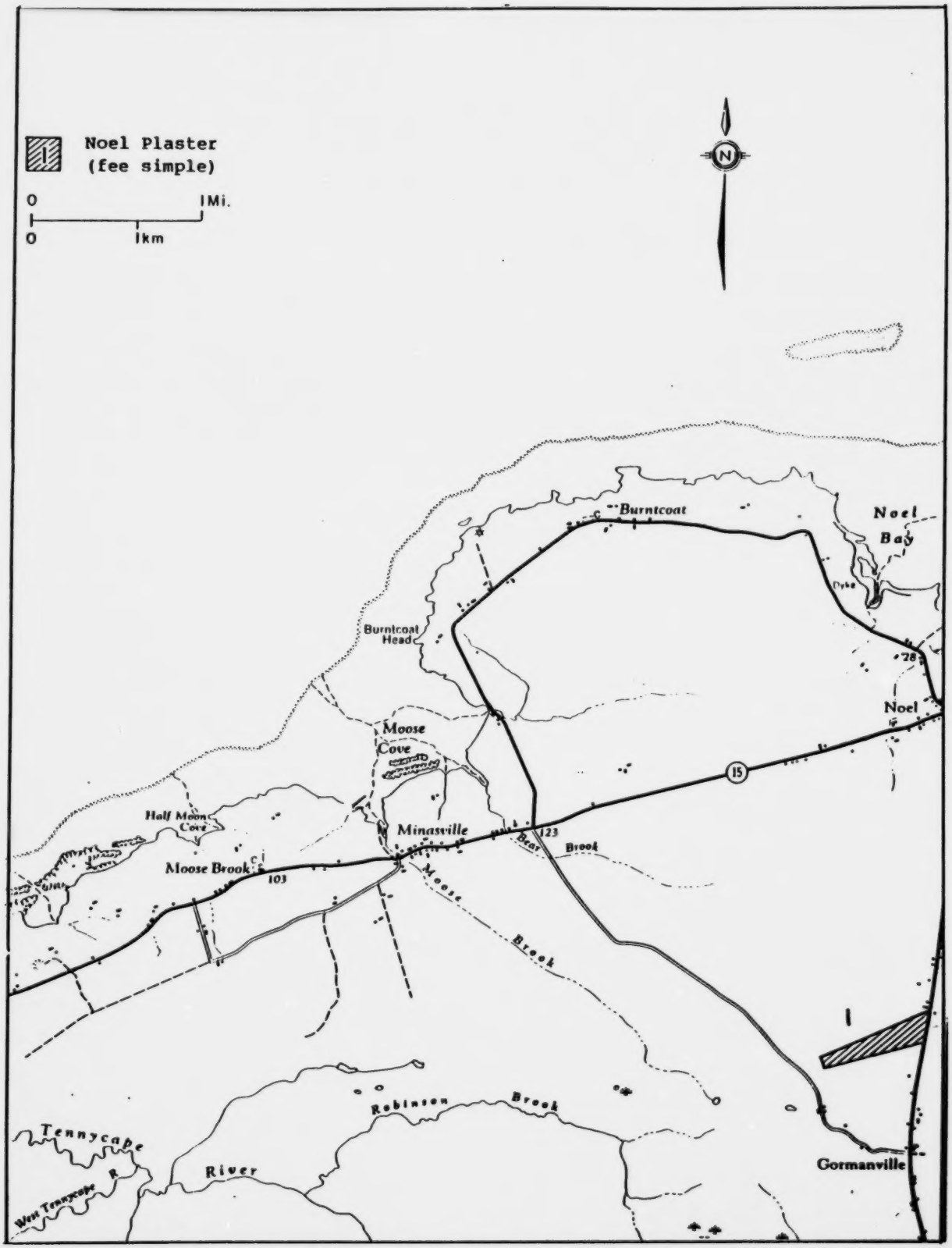


Figure 14. Property location map: Noel, Hants County.

HALIFAX COUNTY

National Gypsum Co. owns a great deal of land in this county, all of which has been located on L.R.I.S. mapping. They also own the gypsum rights on several thousand acres of privately held land. This parcel was put together by Harry B. McCurdy who from 1948 to 1950 purchased the option to have the sole right to purchase the gypsum within the property of 73 individual landowners, within three years. This also included the right to explore for gypsum during this period. This right he sold to National in 1951, with the agreement that they could purchase, from him, the gypsum itself within three years (see [illegible] he purchase was made in 1953. The location of the 73 properties is [illegible] as lying within a roughly 10 miles square area, one of its borders [illegible] the Shubenacadie River.

The Halifax County assessment office states that they do not know of any land held under lease by National. No records were found at the Registry to suggest that National has dropped these rights although they have since purchased some of the land in fee simple. Out of approximately 10,100 acres of gypsum deeds in this county, 1800 acres have been located (see Figs. 14 and 15).

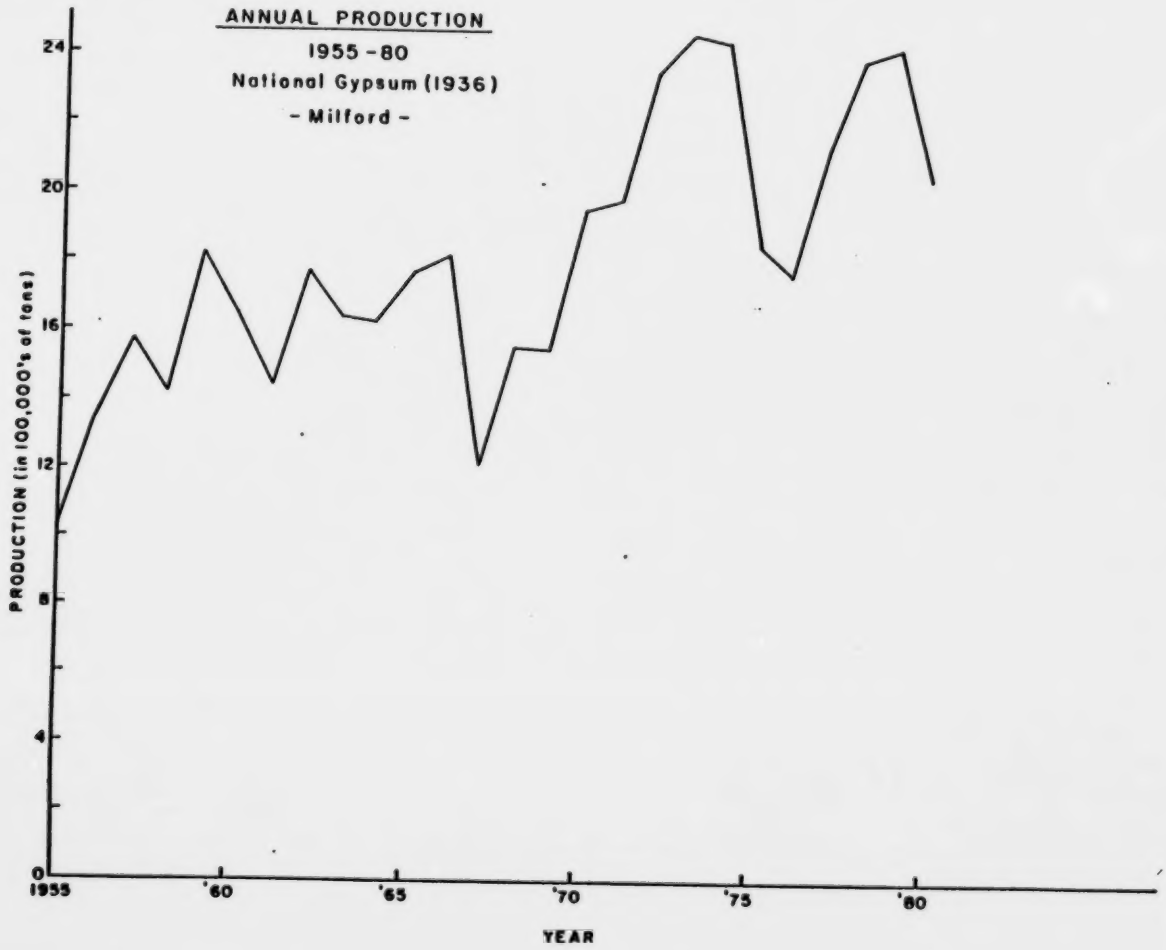


Figure 15. Annual production; National Gypsum Company.

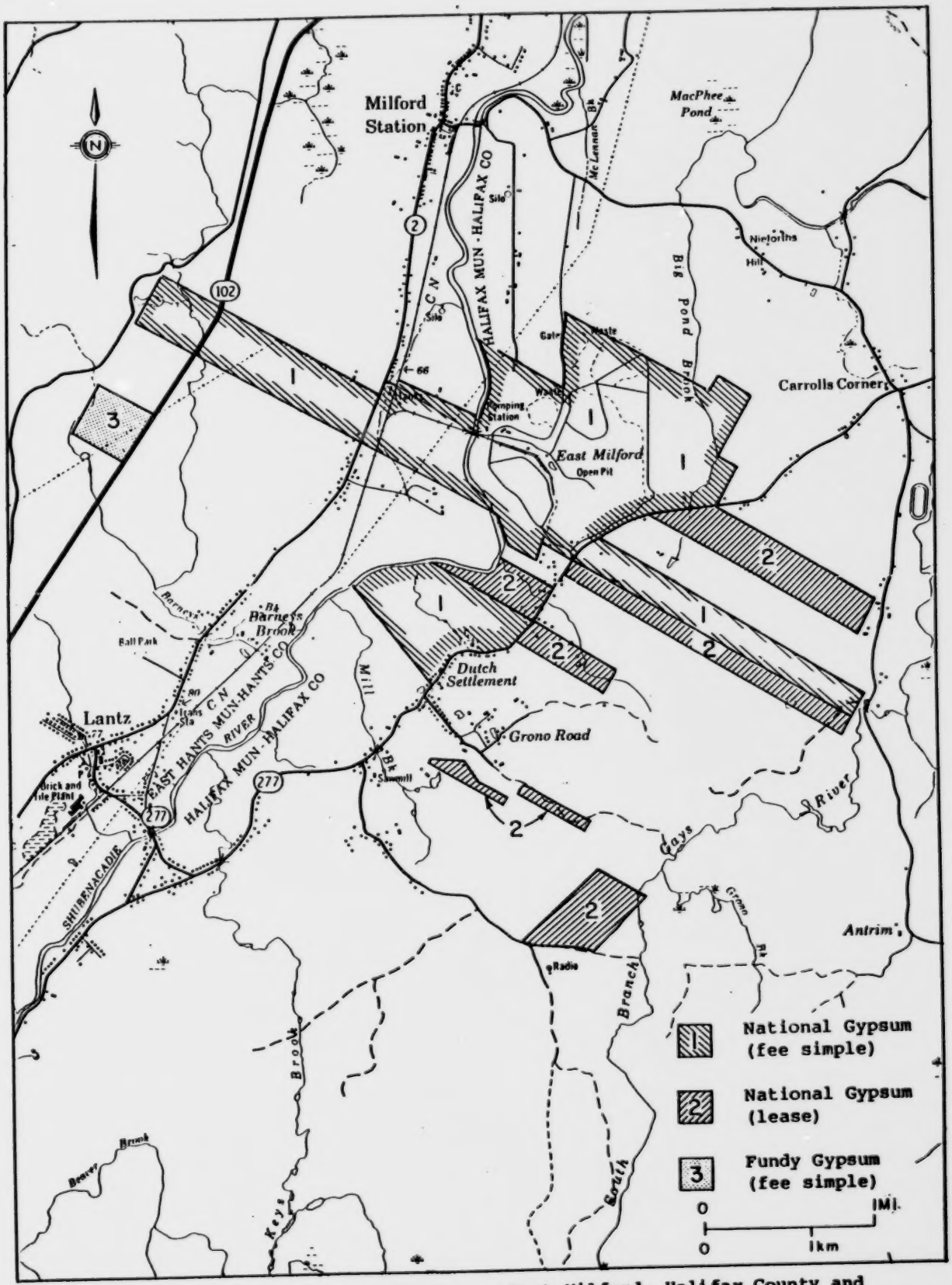


Figure 16. Property location map: East Milford, Halifax County and Milford, Hants County.

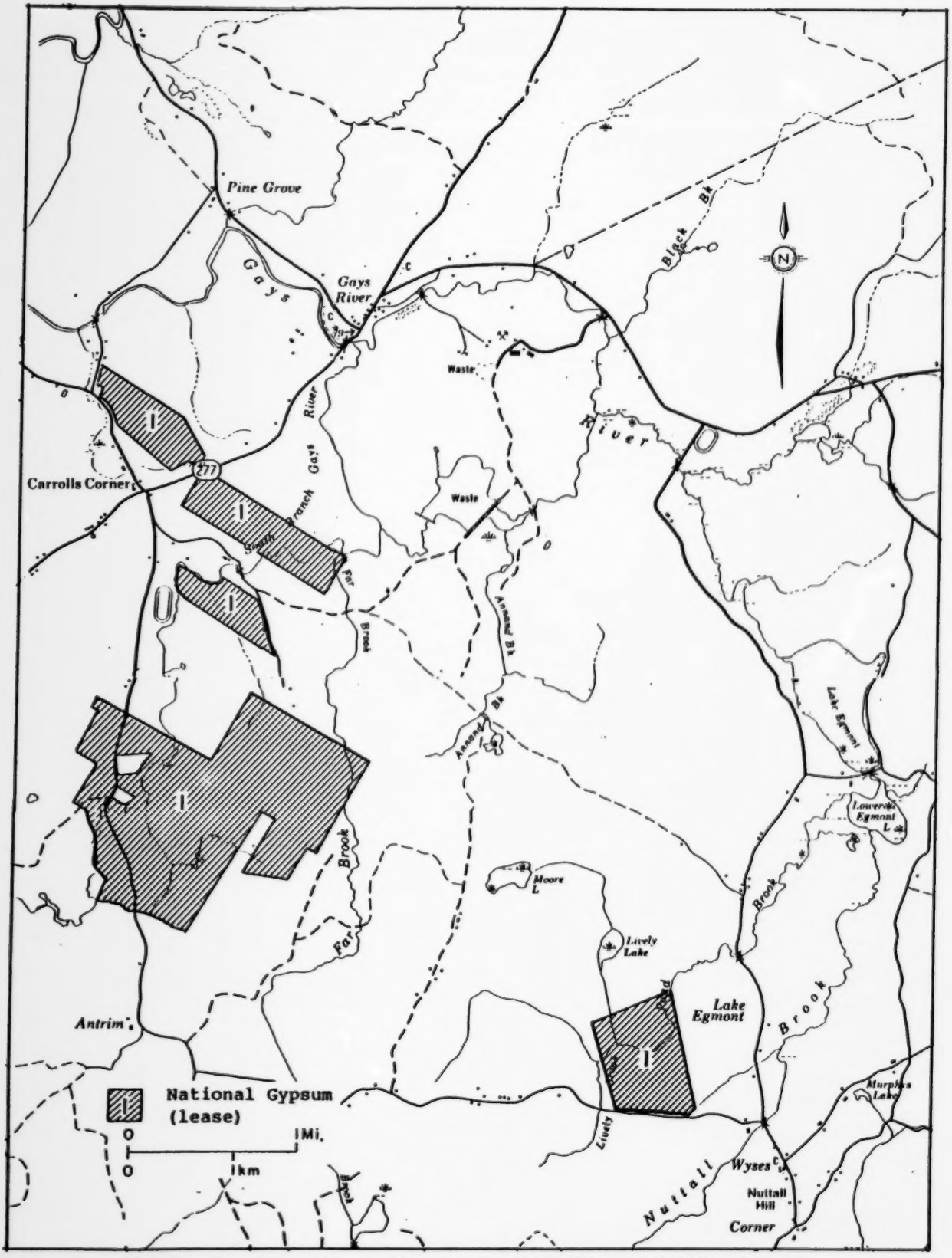


Figure 17. Property location map: Gays River, Halifax County.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY

No gypsum leases appear in the Registry for this county, only land in fee simple. Past operators include Cumberland Plaster Co. and Maritime Gypsum. Only Domtar and Fundy appear in the L.R.I.S. listing of present day property holders. Domtar obtained the quarries at Nappan from Gypsum, Lime and Alabastine Co. in 1959 (see Fig. 16).

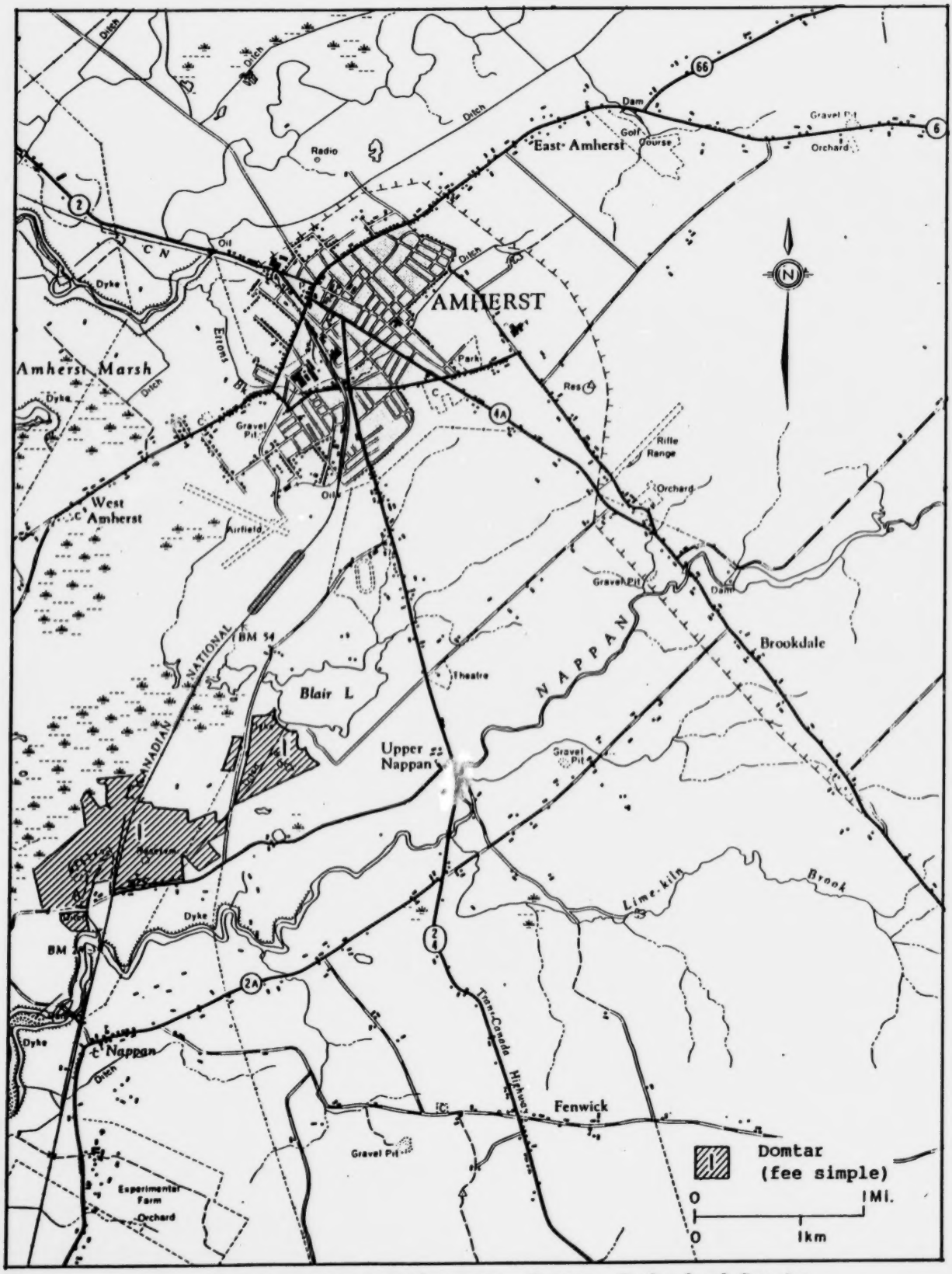


Figure 18. Property location map: Nappan, Cumberland County.

ANTIGONISH COUNTY

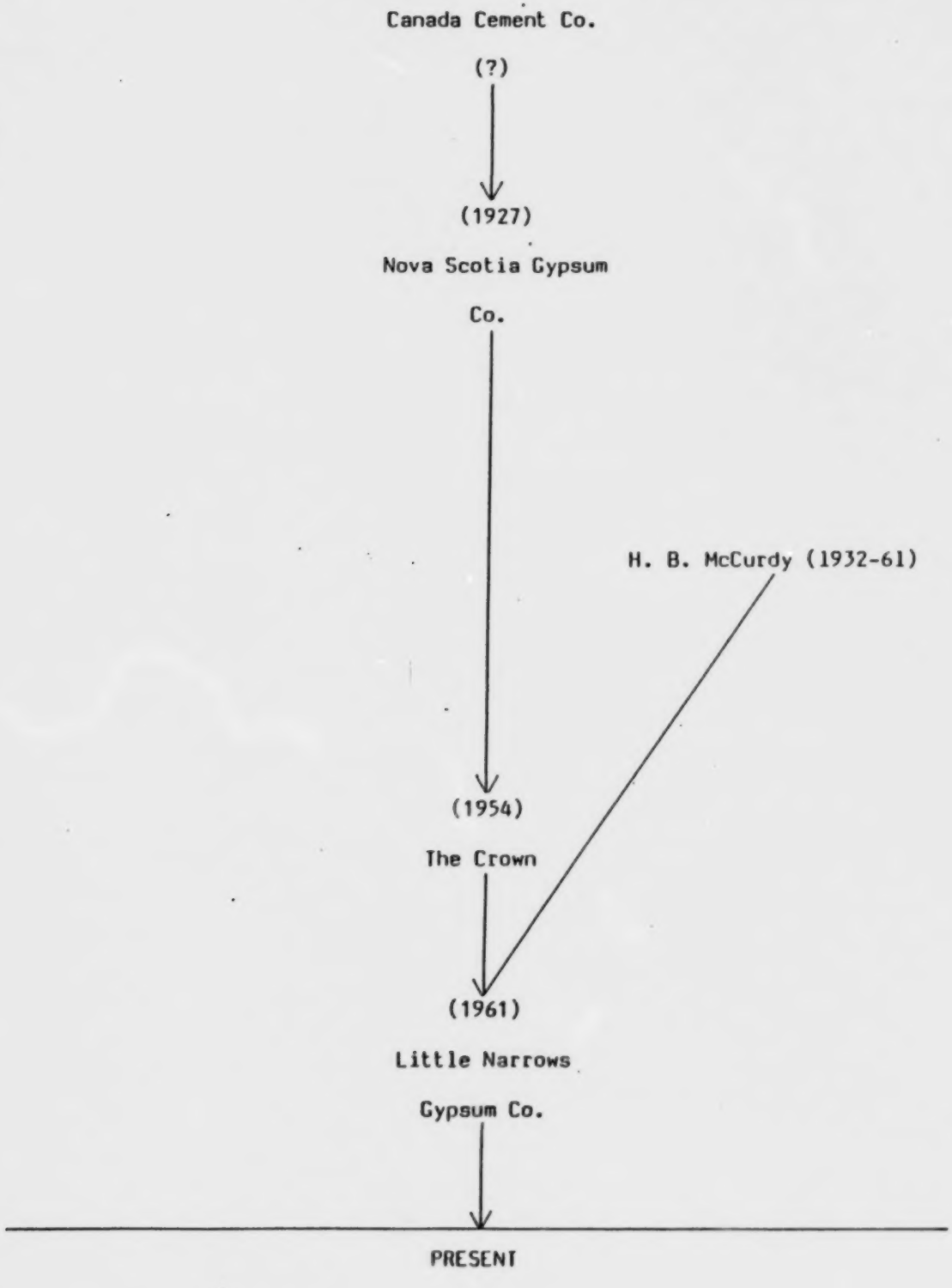
In 1927 Canada Cement Co. owned a large tract of gypsum bearing land on the west side of Antigonish Harbour, six and a half miles from the Antigonish railway station. They did prospecting that year but in 1928 they conveyed at least some, and perhaps all of their property and leases to the Nova Scotia Gypsum Co. who were to supply them with gypsum. This company had just been incorporated the preceeding year. In 1929 construction was suspended with no gypsum yet quarried.

In 1961, mining and surface rights to all the land held by Nova Scotia Gypsum, probably around 800 acres, was granted to Little Narrows Gypsum by the Crown (see A1c). A description of this property can be found in the 1961 deed and more fully in the 1928 deed from Canada Cement to Nova Scotia Gypsum. The justification that the Crown gave, in the deed, for holding these properties and rights was that "whereas by Chapter 72 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1954, entitled "Dissolved Corporations Act" it is provided inter alia that where a corporation is dissolved the land, tenements and hereditaments situate in the Province....shall be deemed to escheat to Her Majesty in the right of the Province of Nova Scotia....".

Harry B. McCurdy was also active in Antigonish County, in much the same manner as in Halifax County. Between 1932 and 1955 he gathered together a parcel of options to buy the gypsum on the property of 49 landowners (see A1d). These options ran for a varying amount of years, from five to twenty.

In 1961, McCurdy exercised his options, purchasing the gypsum, and later in the year sold the package to Little Narrows Gypsum Co. In the months afterward he sold the gypsum rights on a few additional properties to the company. In this way Little Narrows obtained the gypsum within at least 5000 acres. These properties have been mapped by the Antigonish assessment office (see Figs. 18 and 19). Over the years about a dozen individuals have bought back the gypsum rights to their property. Some years ago area residents formed a citizens group to try and have Little Narrows rights in the area dropped.

In 1947 Henry M. Evans purchased gypsum leases in the Brierly Brook area from 12 different individuals for a term of twenty years. The next year he sold one of these leases to National who also purchased a 20 year option on another piece of property. National never exercised this option and the lease it held on the other property has since expired.



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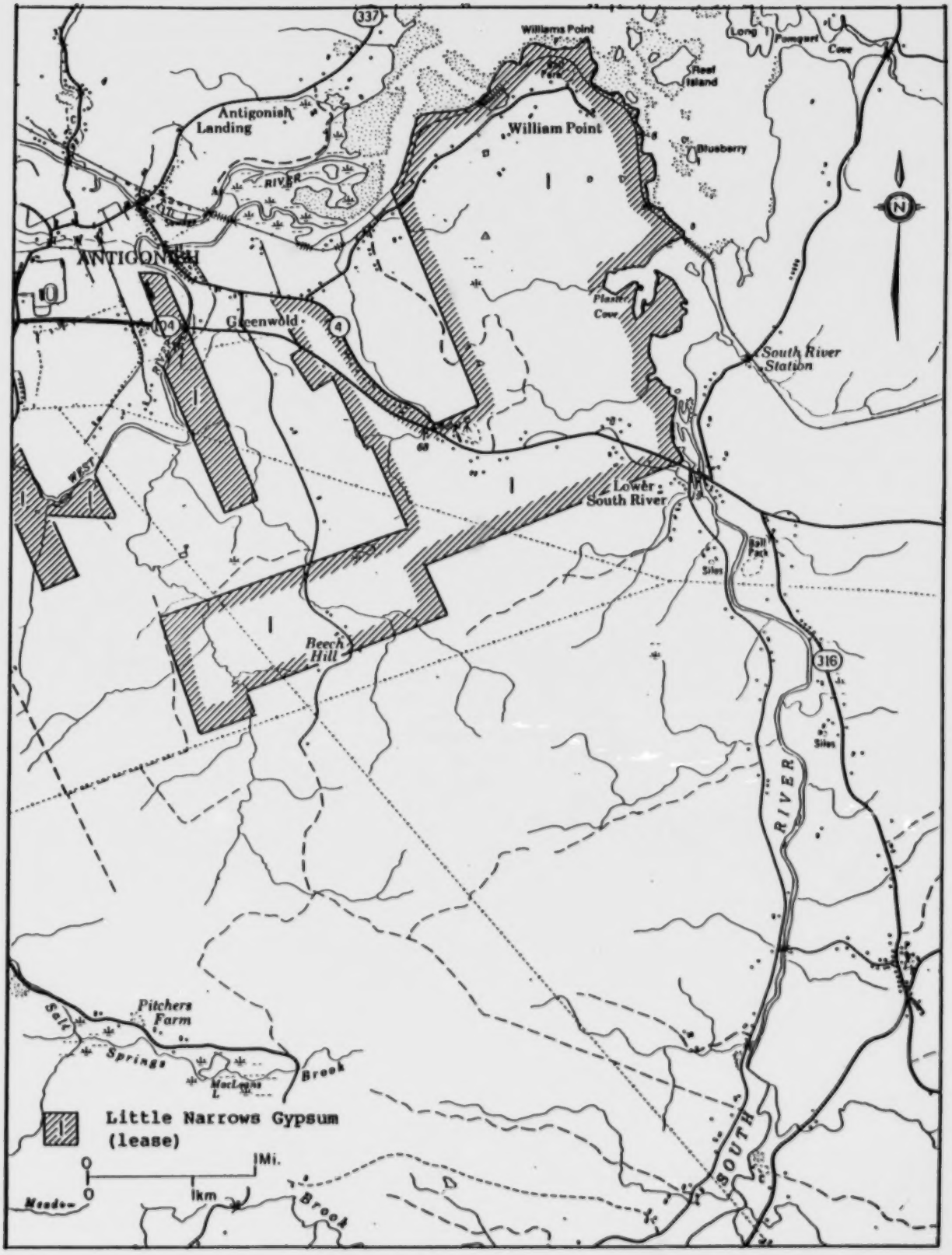

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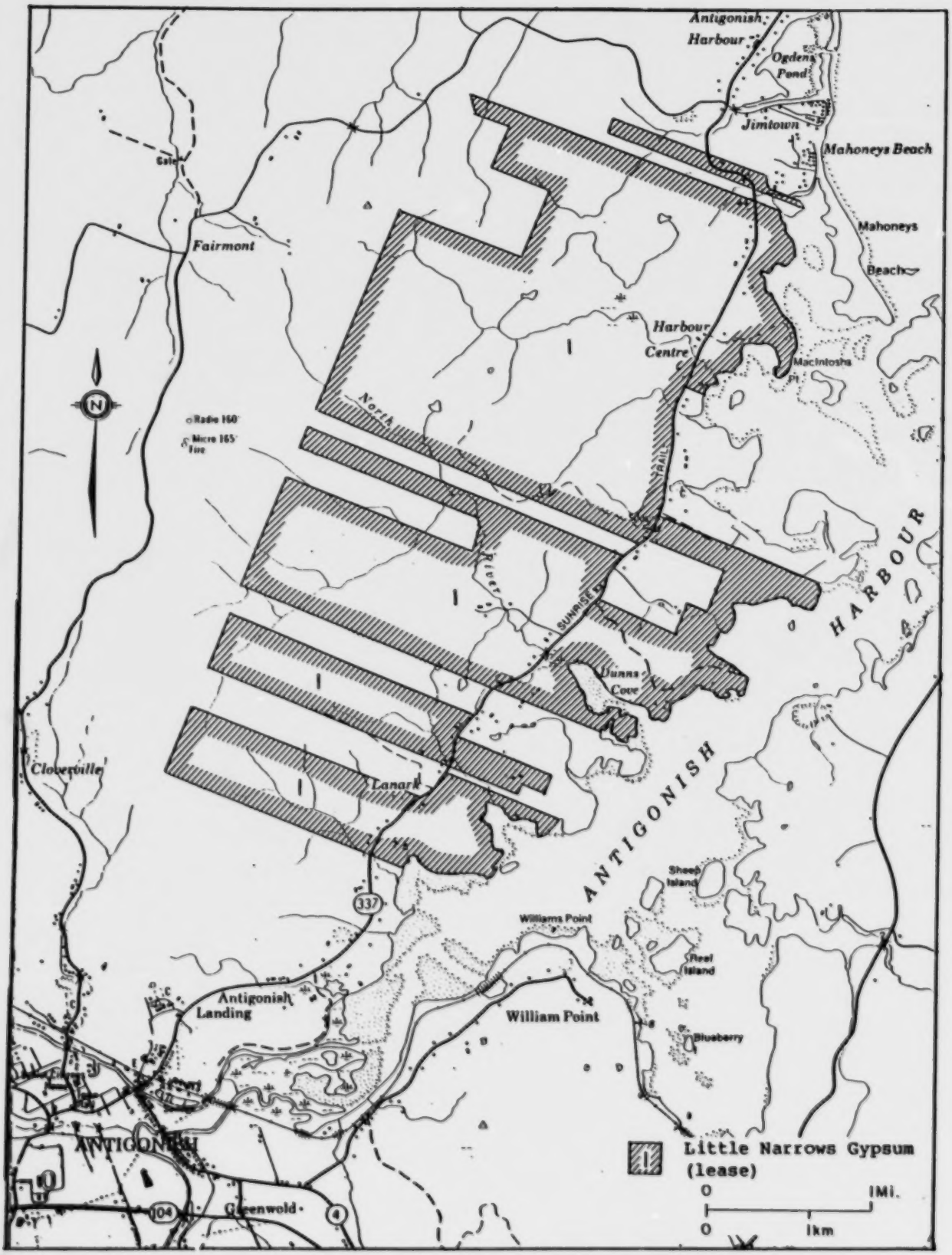

Figure 21. Property location map: Antigonish Harbour, Antigonish County.

RICHMOND CO.

Higginson Manufacturing purchased land in 1910 from the Gypsum Lennox Co. Higginson operated a quarry one and a half miles west of Lennox Ferry Landing on Isle Madame.

INVERNESS COUNTY

Great Northern Mining and Railway Co. began preliminary work in this county in 1906 at Belle Marche and constructed a calcinating plant in 1908. All their production was shipped to Montreal or Quebec City. The company held well over 1000 acres under gypsum lease but only for five year terms. Production ceased around 1915. The company's leases were transferred to P. M. O'Neil, a major creditor.

In 1923, International Gypsum Co. started work on the same property and got the plant back in working order. They held three square miles under lease from P. M. O'Neil of Montreal for five years at a royalty of two cents per ton of finished product. The next year the company was taken over by the P. M. O'Neil Gypsum Co., which ceased operation in 1925.

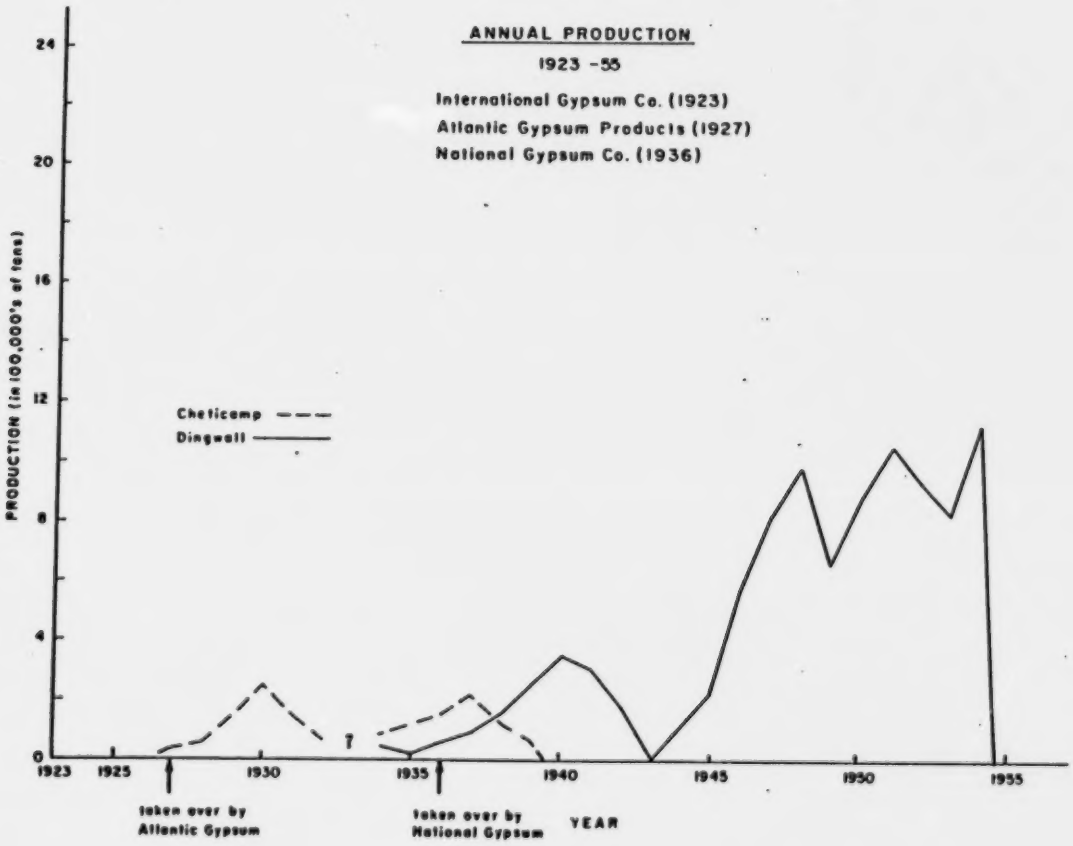

Figure 22. Annual production; International Gypsum Company; Atlantic Gypsum Products and National Gypsum Company.

Atlantic Gypsum Products purchased the leases of P. M. O'Neil in 1928, and in subsequent years purchased a few more from individuals in the area. A small amount of property in fee simple was also obtained from O'Neil as well as railway rights of way, etc.. All the leases had a five year term and the lessee had the option of renewing them any number of times as long as it was done within a month of the current expiry date. The whole of Cheticamp Island was also leased by Atlantic but this was presumably for shipping or storage since the Windsor Group is not present there.

Atlantic was also exploring a deposit at Dingwall around this time and in 1933 put it into operation. In 1936 the company was taken over by National Gypsum Co. The properties obtained by National from Atlantic, in the Cheticamp area, included approximately 30 acres in fee simple, part of which has since been sold. Also included were several thousand acres of leases, most of which were due to expire in 1938 but could be renewed at that time. The lease containing Cheticamp Island was conveyed from Atlantic to National, as well, also on a five year basis.

National worked the Cheticamp quarries until 1940 when they moved their main base of operations to Dingwall. It is unlikely that National has maintained these leases to the present with repeated five year extensions.

The Nova Scotia Coal and Gypsum Co. took over the leases of the Mabou Gypsum Co. in 1905. These were for a perpetual term and were located about five miles out of the harbour from Mabou. In 1924 another group of 13 leases, for terms of 99 years, which began in 1872, were bought by the company. Production began in 1926 with all shipments being made by water to Montreal. It declined steadily for the next few years until it ceased completely in 1934. In 1960 the company's property was purchased by Domtar. Some of the leases would have expired in 1971. None of them have been located.

In the Alba area of Inverness County is a group of leases and properties which were originally compiled by H. B. McCurdy between 1954 and 1959. Allied Chemicals Canada Ltd. purchased the group in 1960 and later supplemented it with a few additional properties obtained from individuals in the area. In 1963 Allied's gypsum holdings in the county were purchased by Alba Gypsum Co.. This company's property presently consists of appoximately 700 acres in fee simple and 2000 acres under gypsum lease (see Fig. 23).

Georgia-Pacific is a more recent arrival starting operations in 1961. They now hold approximately 10,000 acres in fee simple and hold no leases (see Figs. 24, 25 and 26).

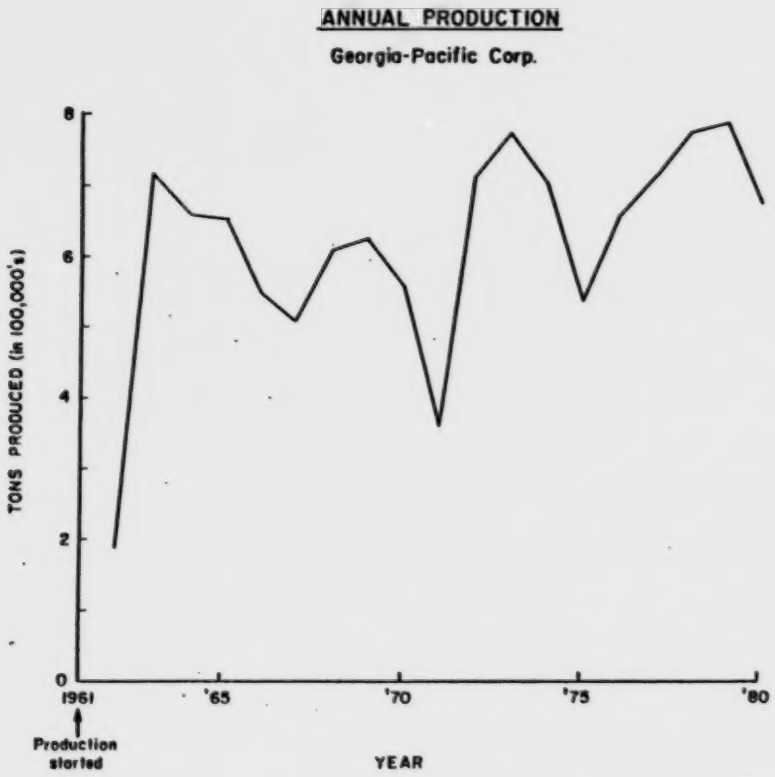

Figure 23. Annual production; Georgia Pacific Corporation.

Other companies found in the Registry of Deeds include the Gypsum Manufacturing Co. which in 1908 took over the 50 year leases of the Nova Scotia Gypsum Co. The Nova Scotia Cement and Plaster Co. bought land in 1908 but does not appear to have held any leases. The St. Lawrence Gypsum Co. owned land in the Cheticamp area which it sold to P. M. O'Neil in 1923. Several options were purchased in the Mabou area by the Ontario Gypsum Co. in 1924 but were never exercised.

The property mapping at the Inverness assessment office is good and in some cases includes not only the present owners but a chronology of ownership back several years.

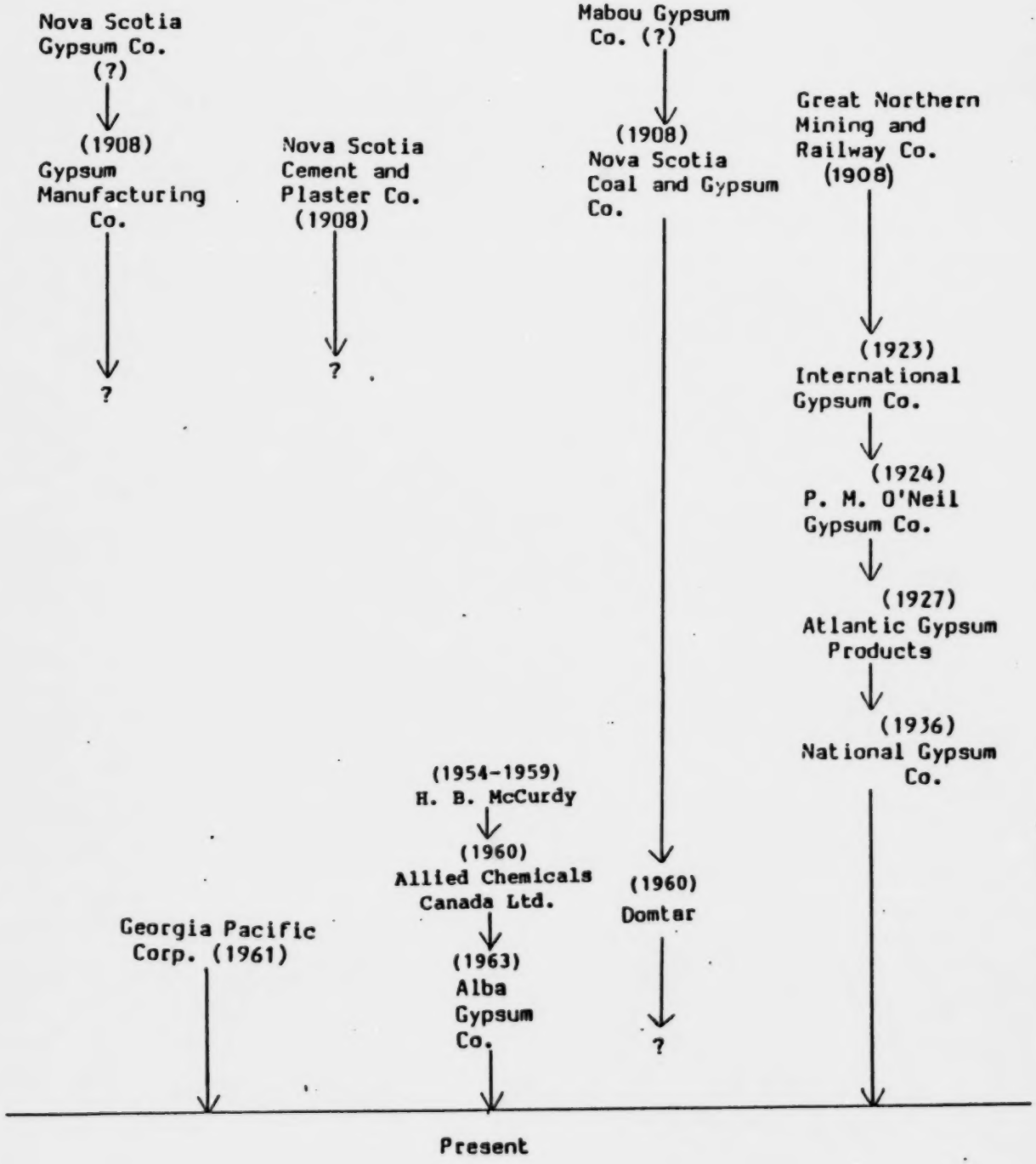

Figure 24. Property conveyance chart, Inverness County.

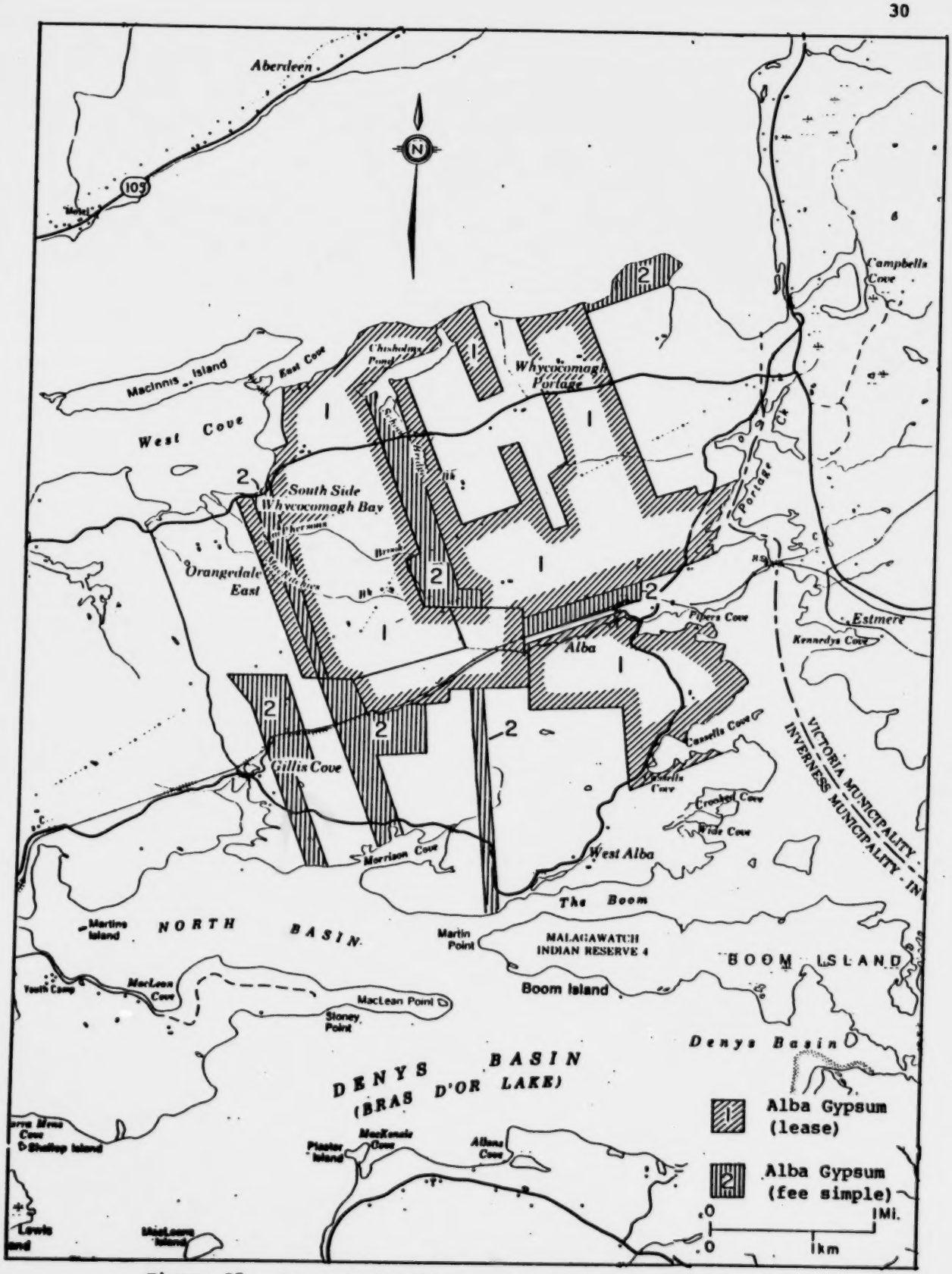

Figure 25. Property location map: Alba, Inverness County.

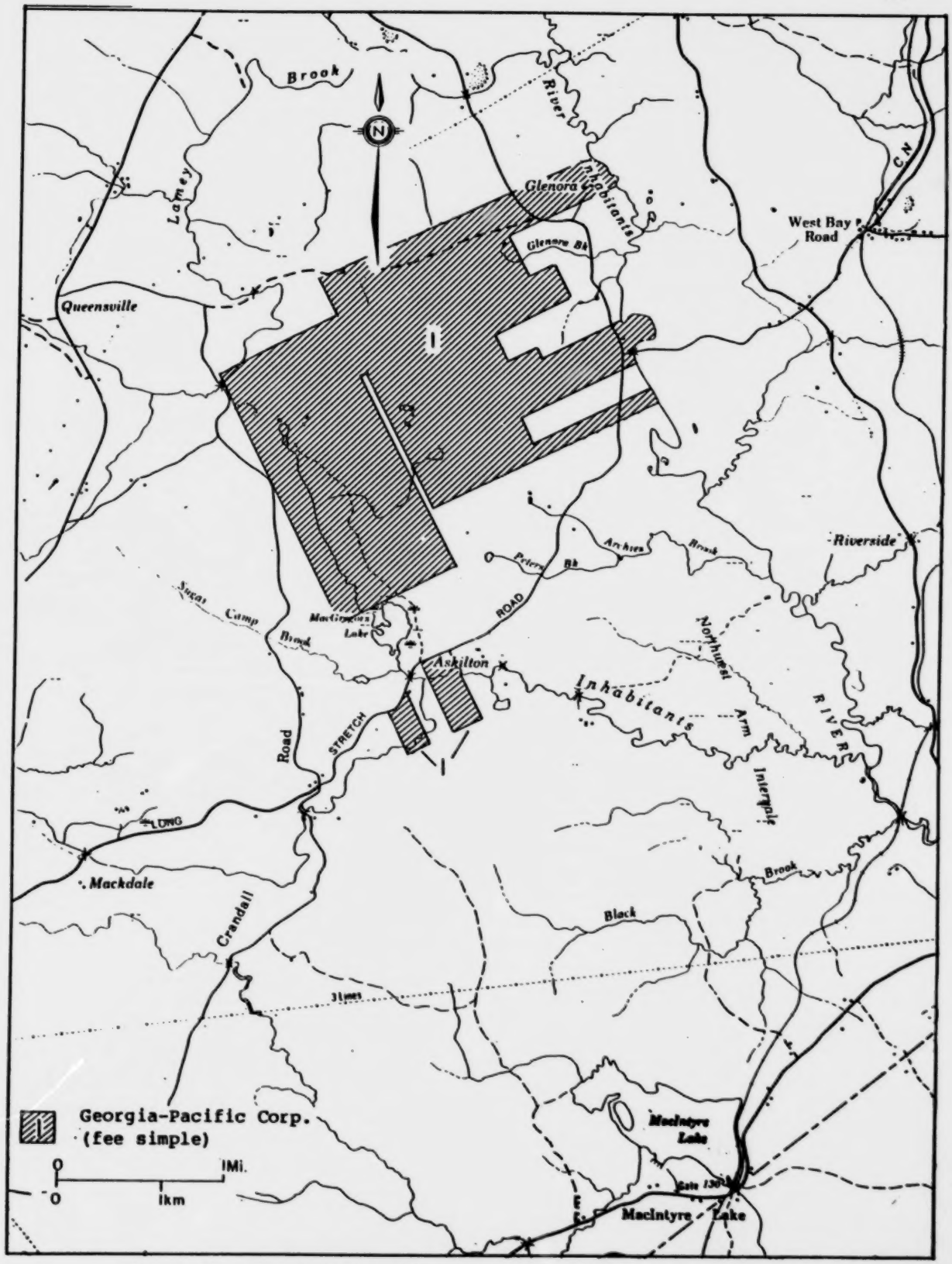

Figure 26. Property location map: Sugar Camp, Inverness County.

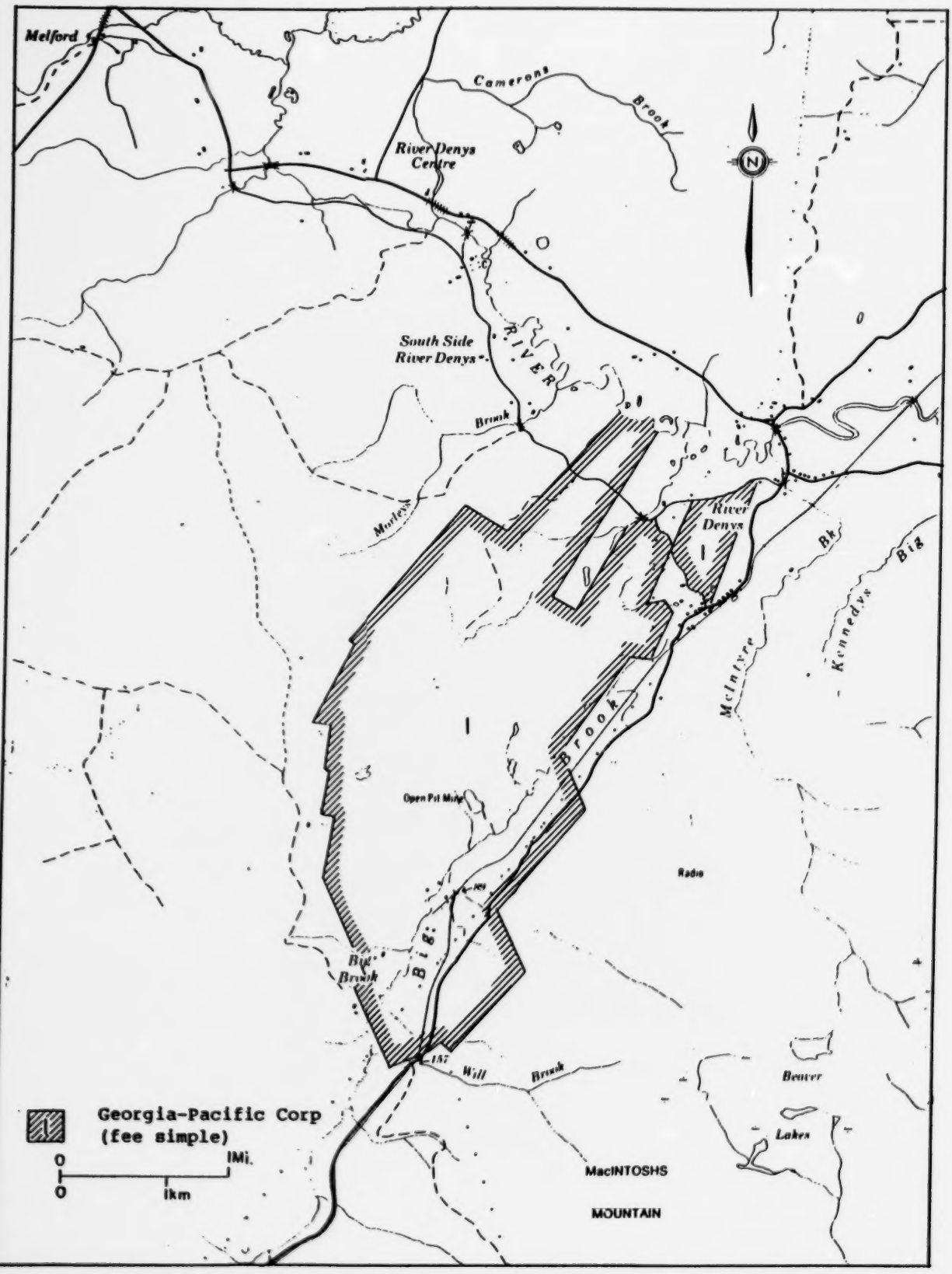

Figure 27. Property location map: River Denys, Inverness County.

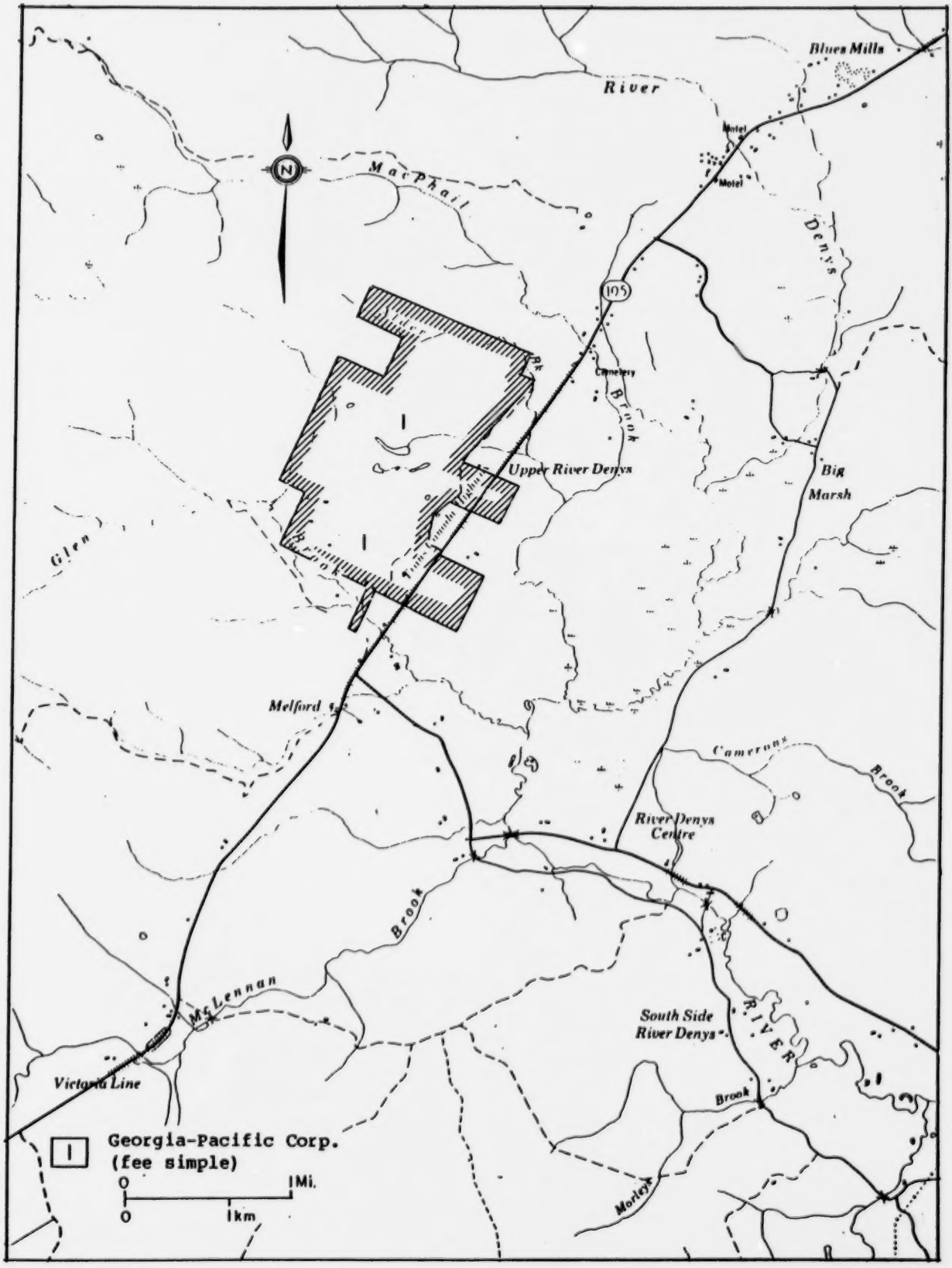

Figure 28. Property location map: Upper River Denys, Inverness County.

VICTORIA COUNTY

This county probably has more land held under gypsum lease, not presently being utilized, than any other. The great proliferation of leases started in the late 1800's with Mary and William F. McCurdy, although there was certainly gypsum quarried in the county before then. The term of leases or "deeds of plaster" obtained by the McCurdys was usually "forever" or "999 years", with a royalty paid to the lessor of three cents per ton of gypsum removed. Their properties were located around St. Ann, Baddeck and the Iona Peninsula.

In 1891 they conveyed all their leases to the Victoria Gypsum Mining and Manufacturing Co. in return for shares in the company. This company worked the leases until 1917. In 1957 they were sold, along with other properties, acquired in fee simple, to National Gypsum Co. (see A1e). The amount of property held under lease and obtained by National Gypsum in this way is probably around 5500 acres with around 700 acres held in fee simple (see Figs. 33-38). Victoria Gypsum Mining and Manufacturing also sold a few leases to H. B. McCurdy in 1946 which ended up in the possession of Little Narrows Gypsum Co.

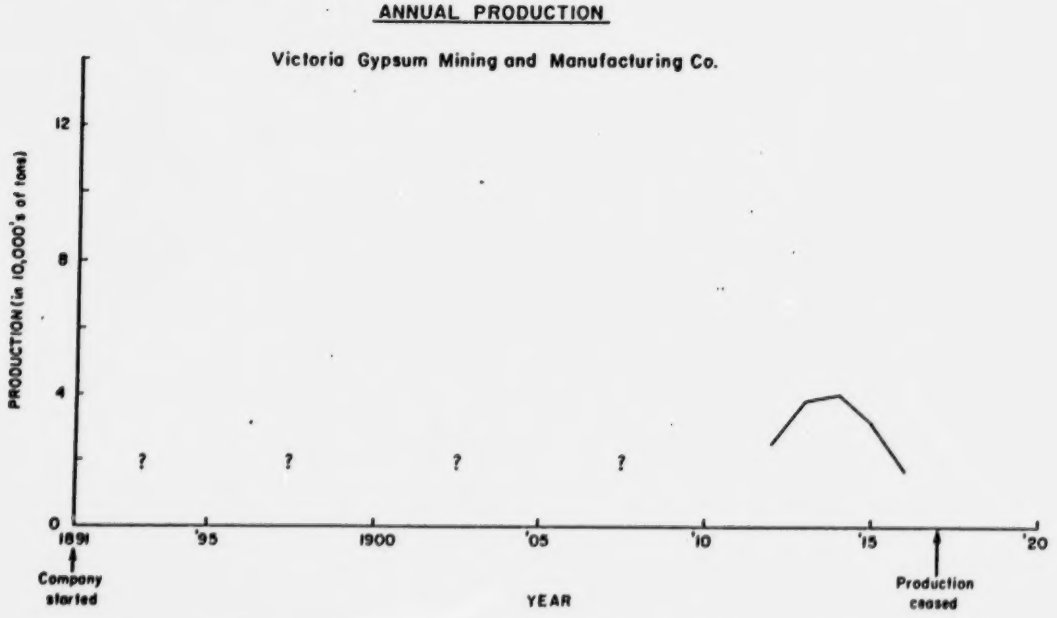

Figure 29. Annual production; Victoria Gypsum Mining and Manufacturing.

Another major leaseholder in Victoria was the Newark Plaster Co. Newark began work in 1907 in the Ottawa Brook area and held "50 square miles under lease", according to N. S. Mines Annual Report 1912. A calcinating plant was installed on the property in 1920. In 1940 leaseholdings of more than 4000 acres and at least 400 acres of land held in fee simple were sold to National (see Figs. 33 and 34).

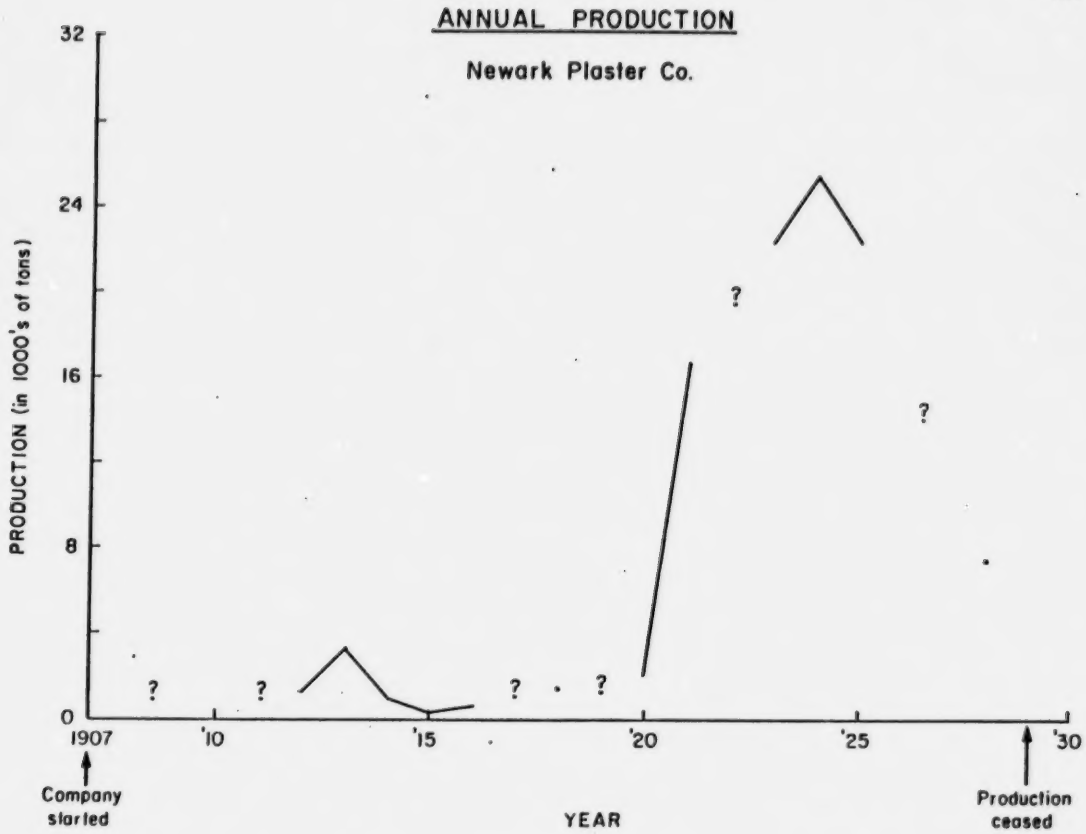

Figure 30. Annual production; Newark Plaster Company.

National also holds property under lease in the Dingwall area which was conveyed to it in the takeover of Atlantic Gypsum Products(see Fig. 39). The property is a parcel of approximately 3700 acres that was originally put together by C. W. K. McCurdy between 1909 and 1926. H. B. McCurdy, who held a share in these optioned leaseholdings, sold them to Atlantic in 1926. Atlantic also held about 20 acres in this area in fee simple, which was also conveyed to National, but the assessment office reports that with the exception of one small plot National does not presently own ground here. The assessors believe, though, that National owns property in the county for which it has not been assessed.

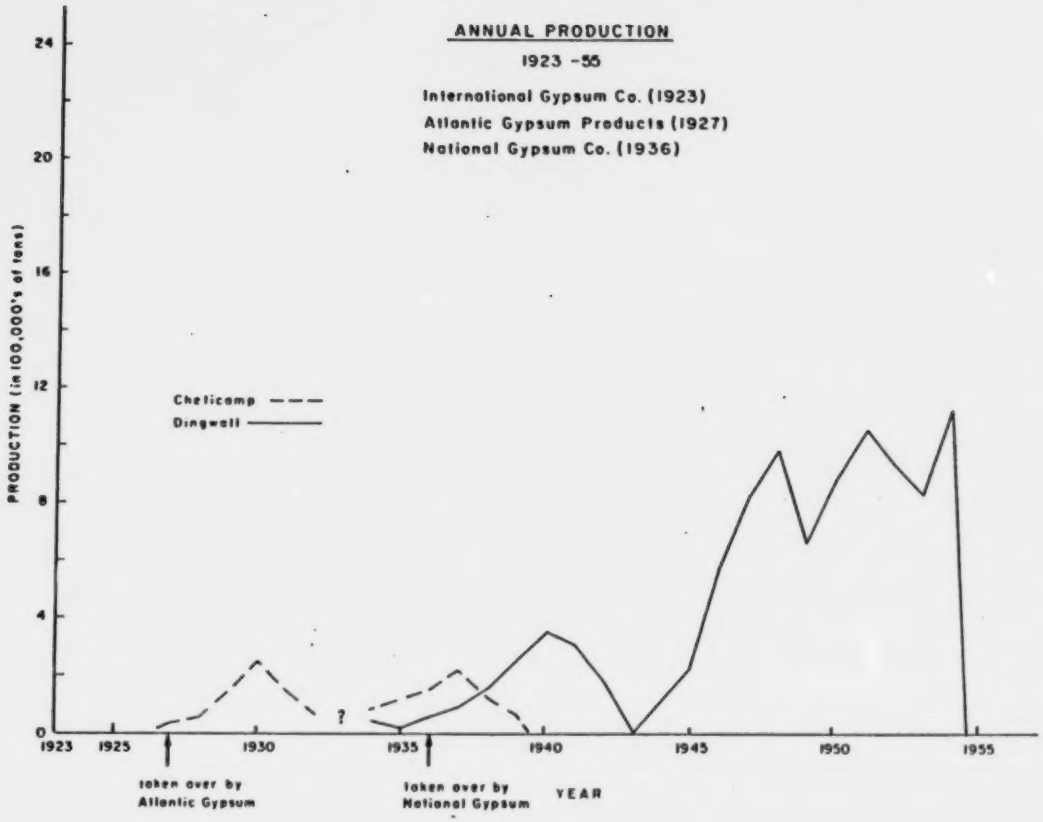

Figure 31. Annual production; International Gypsum Company; Atlantic Gypsum Products and National Gypsum Company.

Property now held by Little Narrows Gypsum Co. is a product of lease and property acquisitions which began with the Victoria Gypsum Co. (see A1f), not to be confused with Victoria Gypsum Mining and Manufacturing. Besides the leases and properties that it already held, Victoria Gypsum also purchased a large parcel of leases, around the Little Narrows area, which were put together by H. B. McCurdy between 1937 and the early 1950's. These were bought in 1954, just before the takeover by Little Narrows Gypsum. A small portion of these leases were obtained by McCurdy from Victoria Gypsum Mining and Manufacturing in 1946.

Both leased and owned property have been located with the aid of maps compiled by the assessment office from information supplied by Little Narrows (see Fig. 33). This company seems to be the only one whose lease locations are known by an assessment office. The assessed value of property held in this way does not change unless the deposits are being worked, therefore these offices are usually not interested in lease locations.

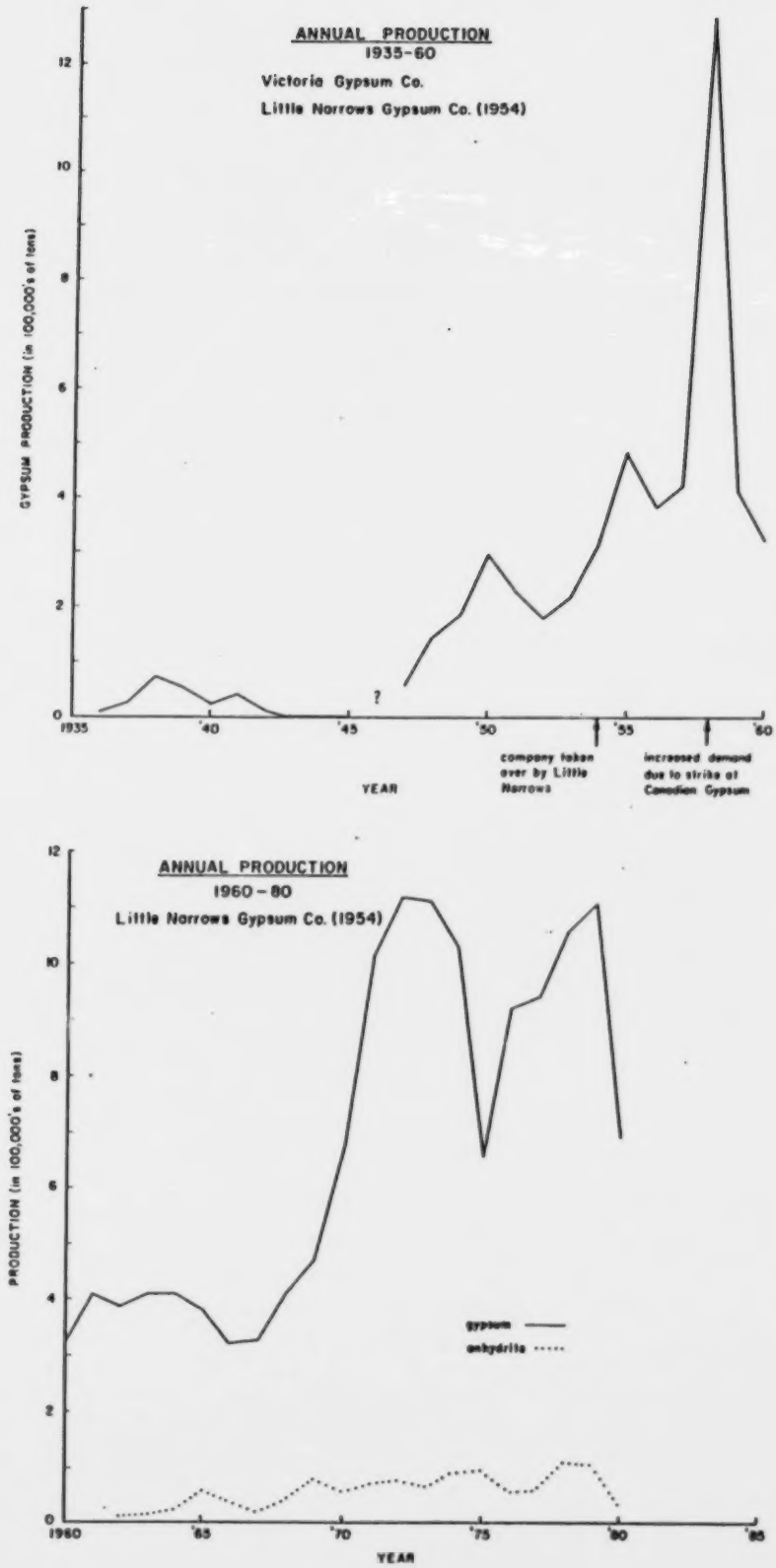

Figure 32. Annual production; Victoria Gypsum Company and Little Narrows Gypsum Company.

The Iona Gypsum Co. began work in 1914 at Grass Cove, two miles from Iona Station, where they also constructed a calcinating plant. All their property is said to have been held in fee simple. In 1923 they were succeeded by Iona Gypsum Products, Ltd., comprised of all Canadian investment. The plaster products from their mill were shipped across Canada as well as to New York and New Zealand. All the gypsum quarried was processed by the company.

In 1932 the company's property was sold through sheriff's sale to Canadian Gypsum Co. (later known as Fundy Gypsum). No leases were contained in the deed but it did include land held in fee simple. The assessment office still does not know the locations of all these properties and is in the process of trying to obtain a plan of them from Fundy. They have proven difficult to locate by deed descriptiion. The properties which are known by the assessment office are shown on Figure 37.

ANNUAL PRODUCTION

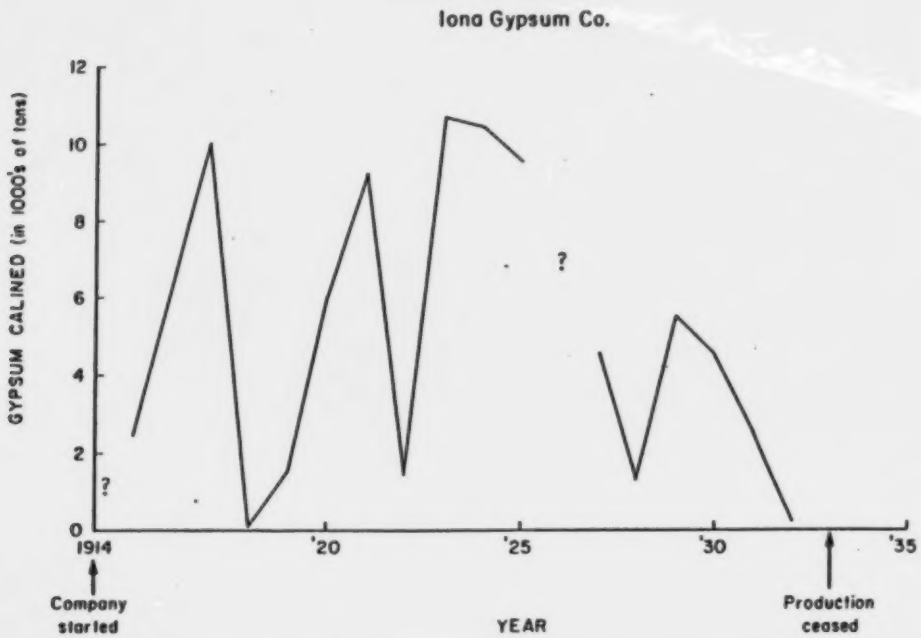

Figure 33. Annual production; Iona Gypsum Company.

North American Gypsum Co. began operation in 1927 by the headwaters of Baddeck Bay. This company's land and leases were sold to the Gypsum, Lime and Alabastine Co., in 1939, who worked them for several years. In 1959, they were sold to Domtar whose holdings in Victoria presently consist of approximately 100 acres held in fee simple and 430 acres held under gypsum lease "forever". Most of these properties have been located (see Fig. 35).

Near Domtars' properties, at the head of Baddeck Bay, are the properties of the Republic Gypsum Co.. This company is a relative newcomer to the area since purchasing approximately 500 acres, in fee simple, from H. R. Rosenblum in 1968 (see Fig. 35).

Another company active in the county, in the past, was Eastern Gypsum Co. This company's leases have somehow, at least in part, been passed along to Little Narrows, although no record of the transfer was found.

The remaining companies encountered include: Ingonish Gypsum Co. (1924), Plaster and Lime Products, Ltd. (1930) and Plaster Quarries Ltd. (1916). These companies show in the Registry of Deeds as having held property only in fee simple. The Cape Breton Gypsum Co. is another such company. It never reached the production stage, but did construct a calcining mill in 1926, one half mile north of Iona Station. If these properties were not sold by the companies at the time of their disbanding, and if taxes were not kept up, they may have been sold for back taxes by the county or conveyed back to the Crown. At any rate, the assessors have no recollection of these companies.

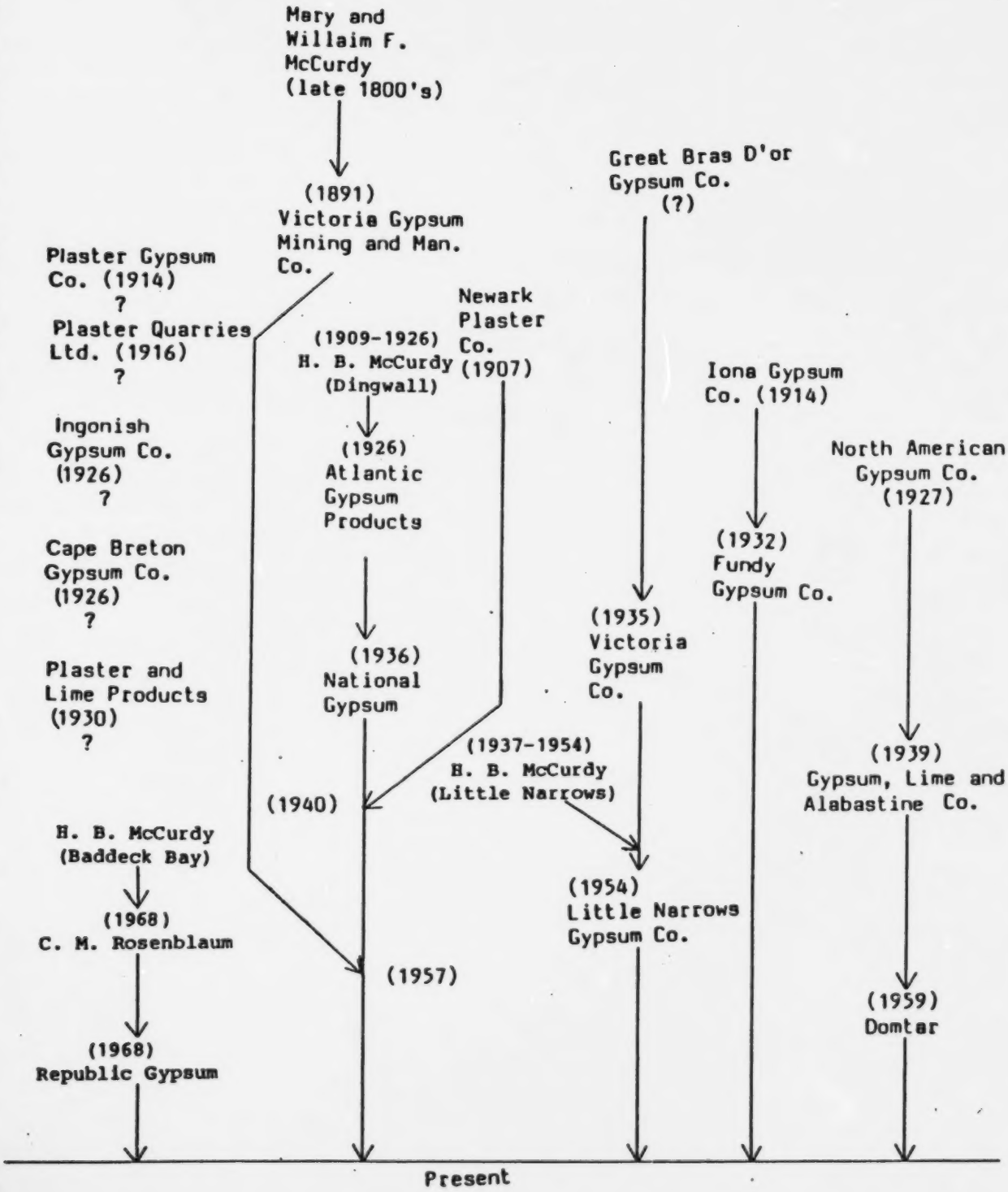

Figure 34. Property conveyance chart, Victoria County.

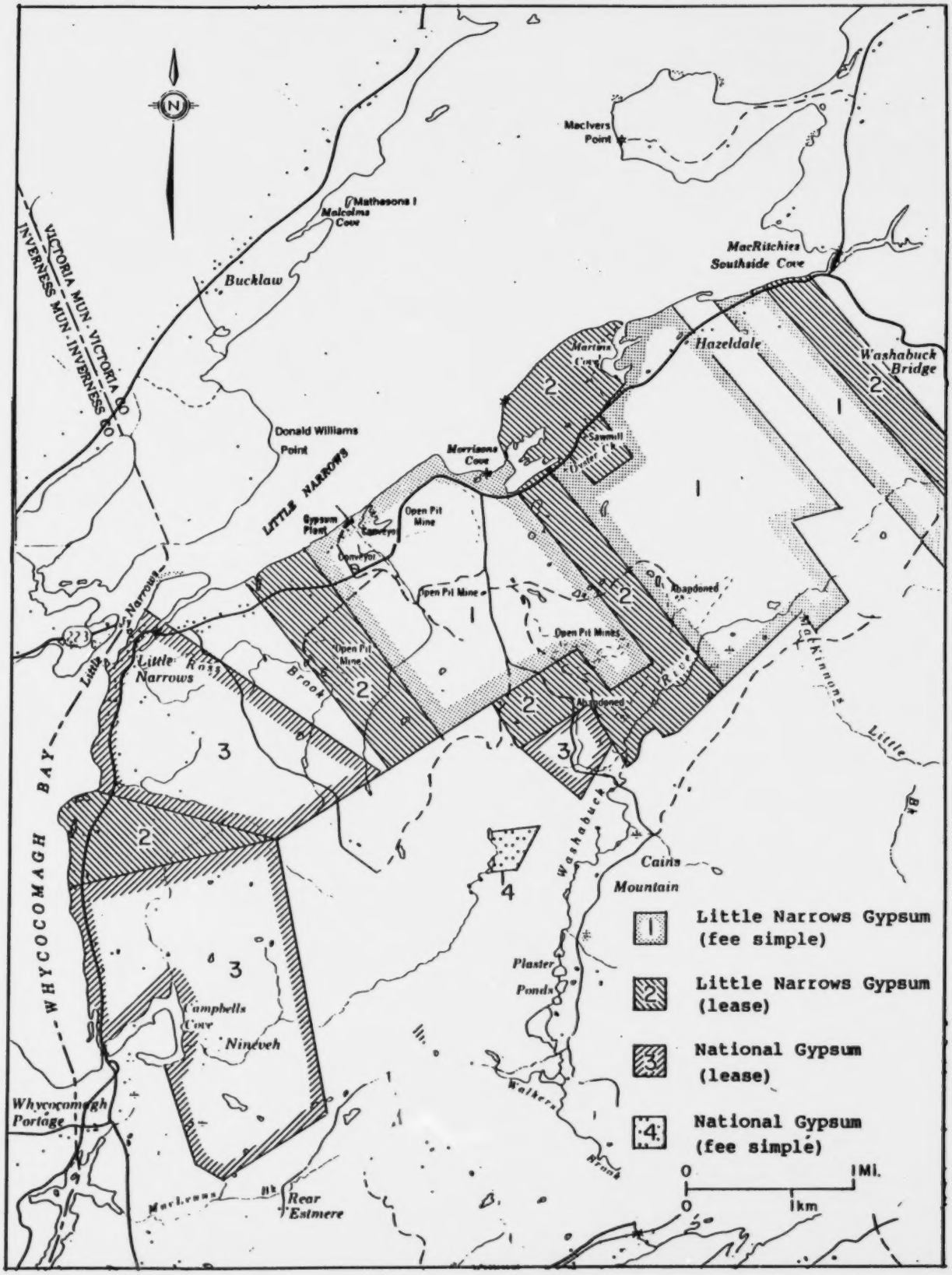

Figure 35. Property location map: Little Narrows, Victoria County.

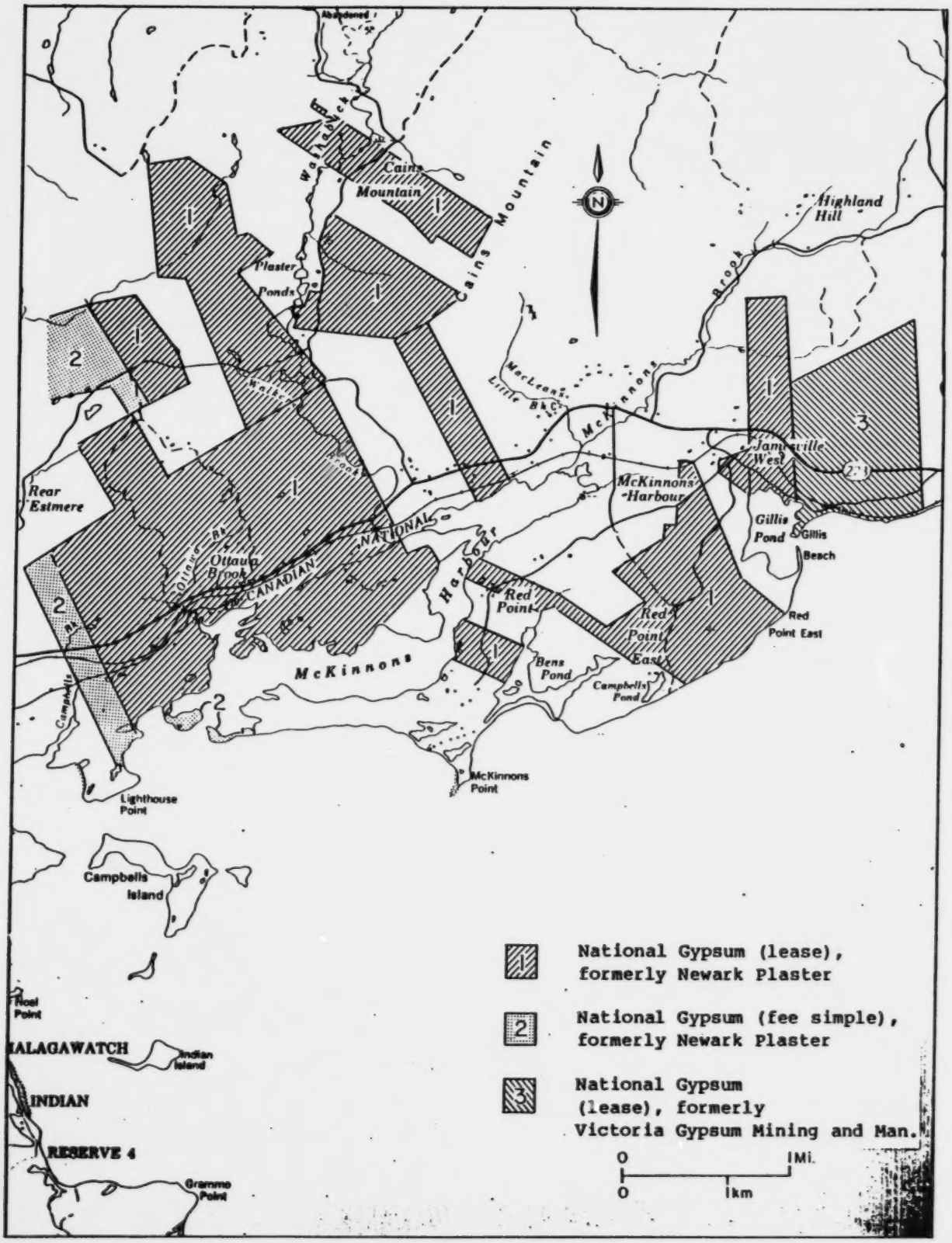

Figure 36. Property location map: Ottawa Brook, Victoria County.

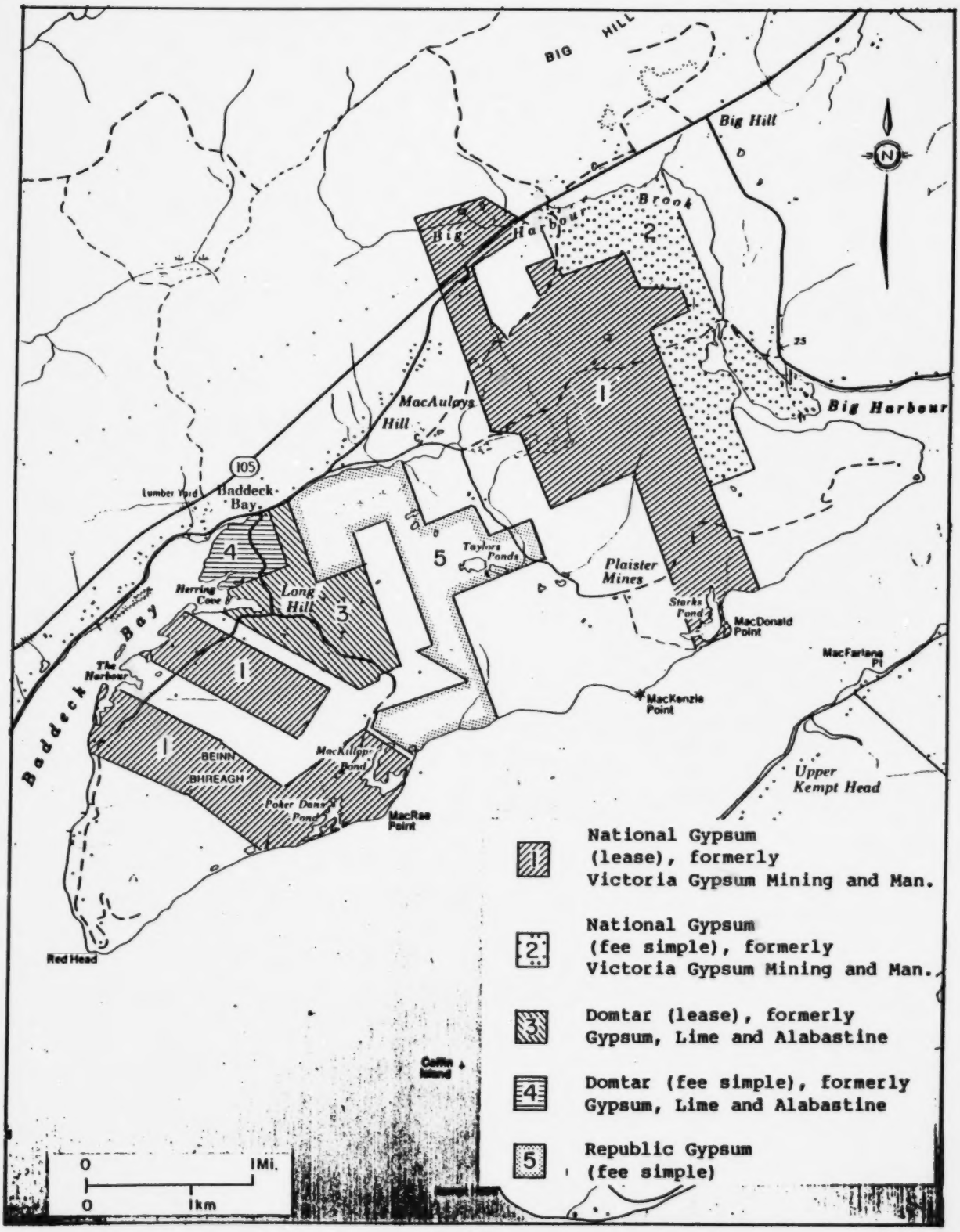

Figure 37. Property location map: Baddeck Bay, Victoria County.

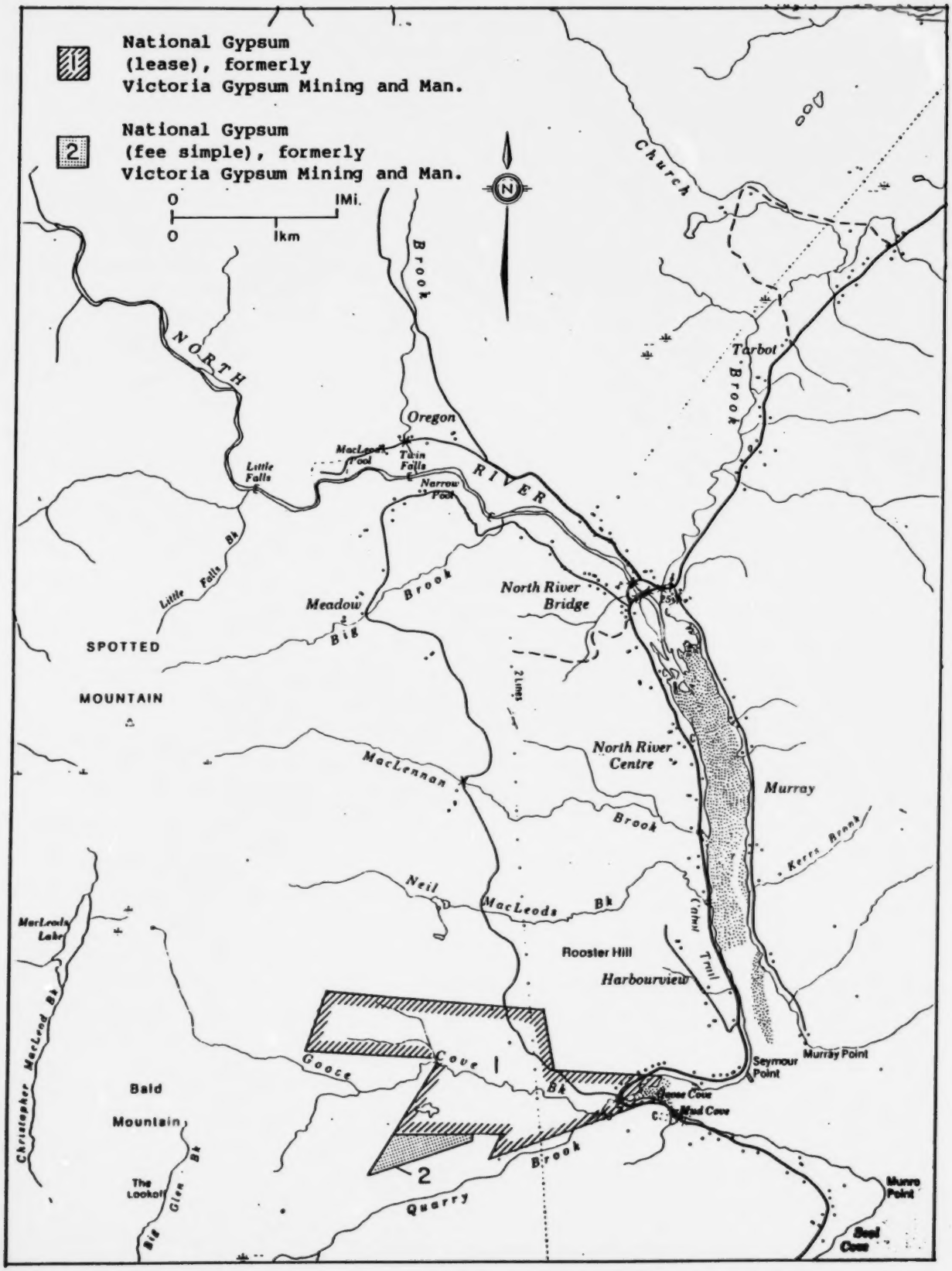

Figure 38. Property location map: St. Anns, Victoria County.

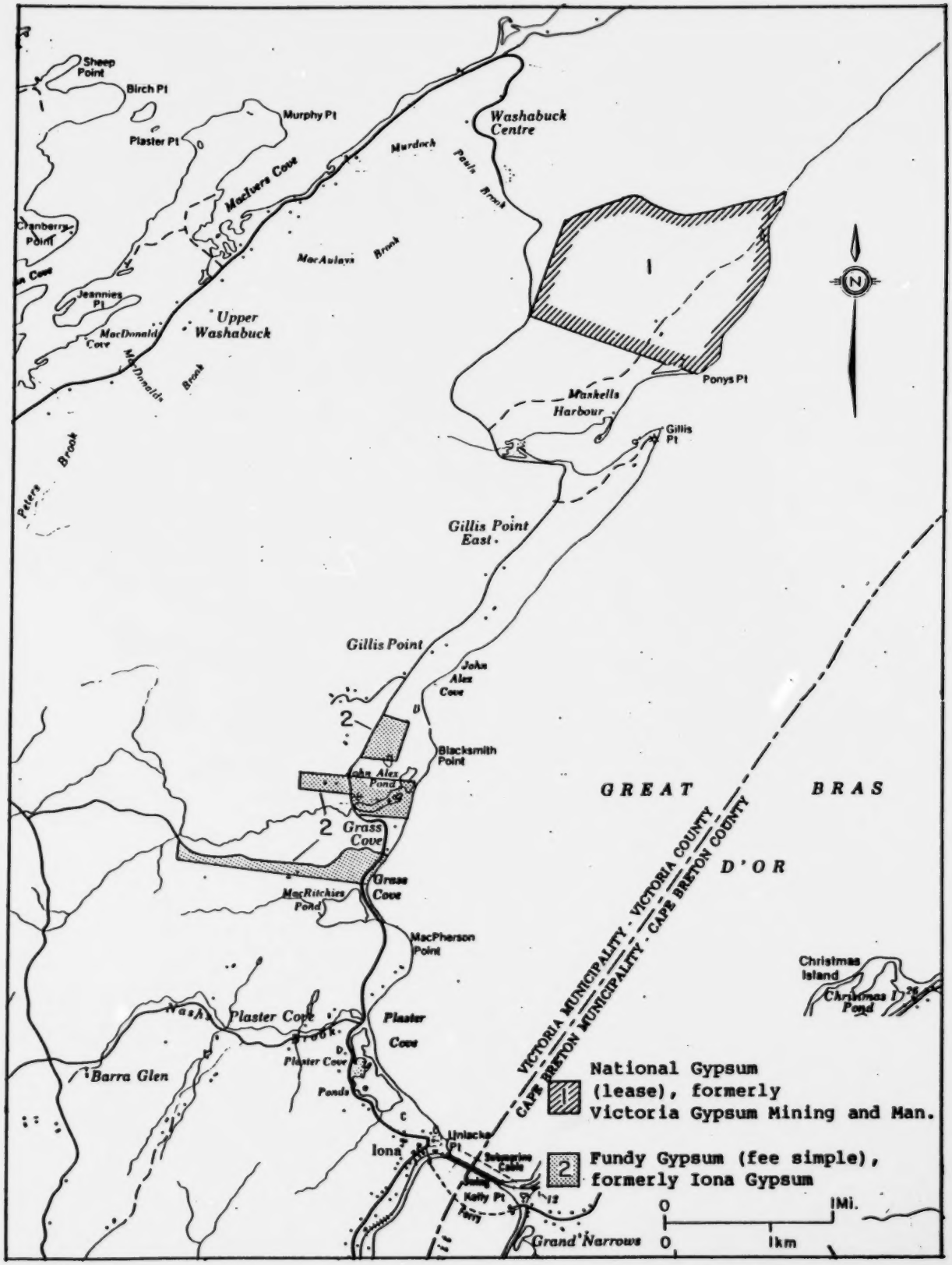

Figure 39. Property location map: Grass Cove, Victoria County.

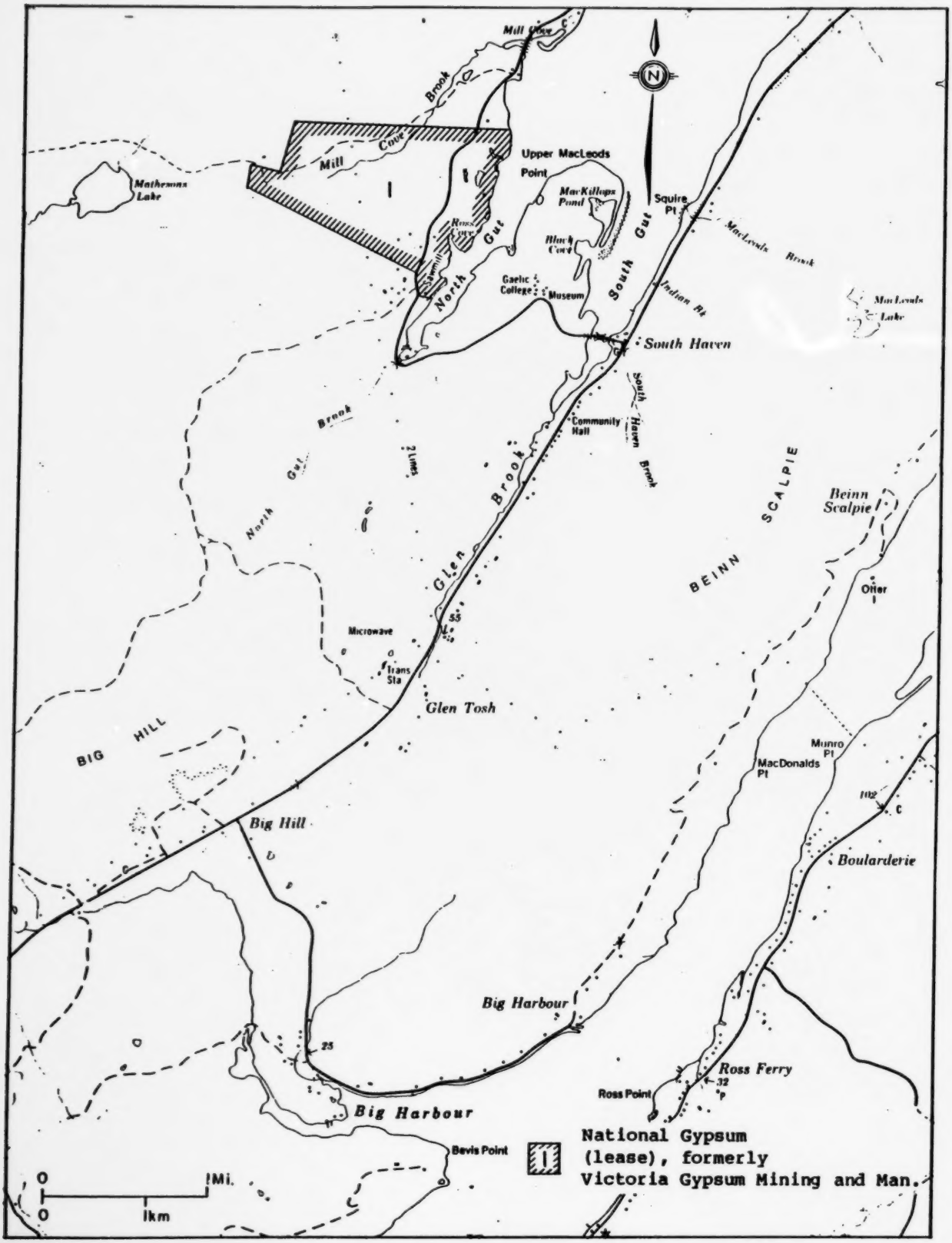

Figure 40 Property location map: St. Anns Harbour, Victoria County.

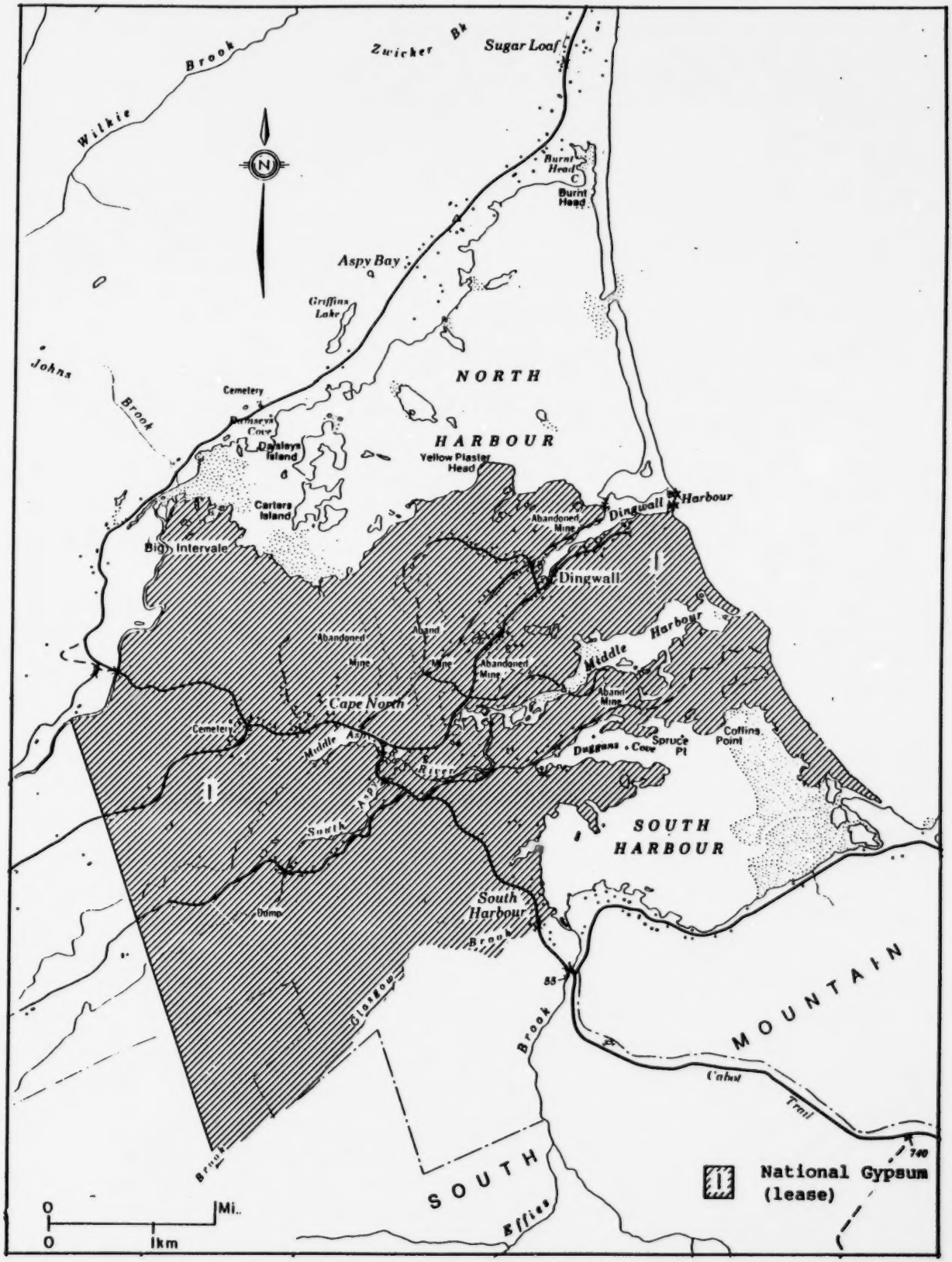

Figure 41. Property location map: Dingwall, Victoria County.

CONCLUSION

The leases which have been mapped are not an inventory of all those held in the Province but rather, a collection of those which it was possible to locate during the project period. They probably represent approximately one half of the total area held under lease. The exact locations of the other half remain unknown because of deed descriptions which are vague or hard to follow.

Some of the leases might be located with the use of property maps current to the deeds on which they are described. Or, if current maps are not available, it may be possible to search the ownership of the land of the grantor either forward or backward until an owner is found that can be located on available mapping. This process is much easier if the land has not been too badly subdivided over the years.

Most of the property held in fee simple has been located with the exception of approximately 200 acres in Inverness and Victoria Counties. Like the leases, these have not been located due to imprecise descriptions. The Inverness and Victoria assessment offices have fairly good property maps which they have compiled and updated over the years, although some ownership is confused or missing. At any rate, the L.R.I.S. maps for Cape Breton should be completed within two or three years and the fee simple properties in question will be represented on these maps.

No. 139- DEED
Gypsum, Lime and Alabastine
Canada, Limited
to
Dominion Tar & Chemical Co.,Ltd.
Regstd. Feb. 26th, 1959, at 9 A.M.
On Cert. of Joseph Bernard O'Reilly
N. P.

a.

THIS INDENTURE made this 23rd. day of February in the year of Our Lord Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-nine.

BETWEEN:

Gypsum, Lime and Alabastine, Canada, Limited, a body corporate, having its Head Office and chief place of business in the City of Toronto in the Province of Ontario, hereinafter called "the GRANTOR"

Of The One Part:

-and-

Dominion Tar & Chemical Company, Limited, a body corporate, having its Head Office and chief place of business in the City of Montreal in the Province of Quebec, hereinafter called "THE GRANTEE"

Of The Other Part:

WITNESSETH that the Grantor for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar ($1.00) of lawful money of Canada, and other good and valuable consideration to the Grantor in hand well and truly paid by the Grantee, at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath granted, bargained, sold, aliened, enfeoffed, released, remised, conveyed and confirmed, and by these presents doth grant, bargain, sell, alien, enfeoff, release, remise, convey and confirm unto the Grantee, its Successors and Assigns,

ALL the lands, premises, rights and other property and interest therein, particularly and generally described in Schedule "A" hereto annexed,

together with all and singular the Buildings, Easements, Tenements, Hereditaments and appurtenances to the same belonging, or in anywise appertaining, with the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof, and all the estate, right, title, interest, claim, property and demand, both at law and in equity of the Grantor of, in, to or out of the same, or any part thereof.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said lands, premises, rights and other property and interest therein, with the appurtenances and every part thereof, unto the Grantee, its Successors and Assigns, to its or their sole use, benefit and behoof forever, with effect as of and from the close of business on the 30th day of November, A. D. 1958.

AND the Grantor, for itself, its Successors and Assigns, hereby covenants, promises and agrees to and with the Grantee, its Successors and Assigns, in manner following, that is to say: That it shall be lawful for the Grantee, its Successors and Assigns, from time to time and at all times hereafter peaceably and quietly to enter into the said lands, premises and other property, and to have, hold, occupy, possess and enjoy the same without the lawful let, suit, hindrance, eviction, denial or disturbance of, from or by the Grantor or any person or persons whomsoever, lawfully claiming or to claim the same.

AND ALSO that the Grantor hath a good, sure, perfect and indefeasible estate of inheritance in fee simple in the said lands, premises and other property and good right, full power and lawful authority to sell and convey the same, in manner and form as they are hereby sold and conveyed and mentioned or intended so to be, and that the same are free from encumbrances and hath good right, full power and lawful authority to sell and convey any and all the said rights in manner and form as they are hereby sold and conveyed and mentioned or intended so to be and that the same are free from encumbrances.

AND that the Grantor, its Successors and Assigns, at the request and at the charges of the Grantee shall and will from time to time and at all times hereafter execute or cause to be executed such further and other acts, conveyances and assurances in the law for the better assuring to the Grantee, its Successors and Assigns, of the lands, premises rights and other property above described in manner as above conveyed and mentioned or intended so to be as by the Grantee, its Successors and Assigns, or its or their counsel learned in the law shall be reasonably advised or required.

ELEVENTH: All the lime, selenite, gypsum, plaster, Plaster of Paris and other similar minerals in, under and upon all that lot of land and premises situate at St. Croix which was conveyed to C. Henry Dimock by David Dill and wife by Deed dated 17th day of September A. D. 1901 and recorded in the Office for theRegistry for Deeds at Windsor aforesaid in Book 93, page 479, et seq. and therein described as follows, viz:

BEGINNING at a spruce tree standing on the west side of theroad leading from Wentworth to Saint Croix Village, being the Southeast corner of the Caldwell Lot (so called); thence along the west side of said road north twelve degrees west four chains and thirty-one links to a point near an iron post and pile of stones placed near the said road; thence south eighty-four degrees west eighteen chains more or less to lands formerly owned by Reverend Henry Pryor Almon; thence southerly along the east line of the said Almon Lands nine chains and eleven links more or less to the southern line of Mehan lot (so called) which is the lot hereby conveyed; thence along the said southern line of the Mehan lot, south eighty-three in a line parallel with said southern line of the said Mehan lot, three chains and sixty-seven links to the said road; thence northerly along the said road to the spruce tree at the place of beginning, containing twenty-two acres, more or less, together with the right now and at all times or any time hereafter of entering into and upon the said lands or any part or parts thereof and of excavating for, quarrying, digging and taking out and carrying away the said minerals or any part of them and for the said purposes to make and build roads, ways, tramways, railways, sluices and other things and to build, erect, maintain, occupy, use and operate all buildings, engines, boilers, machinery and plant necessary or expedient to be erected, maintained, occupied, used or operated for carrying on the said works in an efficient manner and to dump, put, place or deposit on the said lands or any part thereof all or any spauls, mud, dirt, debris or refuse from the said works and from the quarry and mining operations and to do all such other things and carry on such work as may be necessary or expedient to be done to quarry, manufacture and carry away the said minerals or any of them being and intended to be the same rights reserved to Windsor Plaster Company Limited by Deed bearing date the 4th day of September, 1908 and registered in the office of the Registrar of Deeds at Windsor in Book 103 at page 630,

TWELFTH: All and singular the rocks and quarries of gypsum and plaster of paris and other rocks, in, under and upon all that lot of land and premises situate at or near Ellershouse in the said County of Hants which was conveyed by James Cashman and wife to C. Henry Dimock and Jesse P. Smith by deed dated 18th day of March A. D. 1903 and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Windsor in Book 95, page 717 and in said deed described and bounded as follows:

"All that lot of land and premises situate at or near Ellershouse in the said County of Hants, in a certain deed thereof made by Robie J. Spence and wife to the said

described and bounded as follows:

"All that lot of land and premises situate at or near Ellershouse in the said County of Hants, in a certain deed thereof made by Robie J. Spence and wife to the said Albert Metcalf as Trustee, and bearing date the 28th day of September, 1888, and recorded in the office for the Registry of Deeds at Windsor aforesaid, in Book 76, page 716, described and bounded as follows: BEGINNING on the southeastern side of the road leading from Ellershouse Station to the Halifax road, at the southern side of the Back Road (so called); thence running south sixty-six and one-half degrees east along the said road five hundred and sixty feet; thence south twenty-eight and one-half degrees east along said road three hundred and eighty-seven feet to a granite block set at the side of the said road as a boundary monument; thence south forty-four degrees west Five Hundred and twenty feet to a granite block set as a boundary; thence north seventy-nine degrees west, one hundred and sixty-four feet to a Spruce tree; thence north thirty-six and one-half degrees west five hundred feet to an elm tree; thence north twenty-seven and one-half degrees west two hundred and fifty feet to the said road leading from Ellershouse Station to the Halifax Road at a granite block set at the side of the road; thence northeasterly along the said road three hundred and fifty feet more or less, to the place of beginning, together with the full liberty power and authority to dig, work, and quarry the said gypsum and Plaster of Paris and other rocks in, upon and throughout the said lands and to sink shafts, blast and mine the said gypsum and plaster of paris and other rocks and carry away and ship and convert the same to the use of the Grantee its successors and assigns, and also full liberty, licence, power and authority for the Grantee, its successors and assigns, to erect any engines and machinery and sheds or buildings for engines and machinery and to operate the said engines and machinery and construct any tramways, road or roads

and operate the same for the purpose of carrying on the said business of mining, conveying and shipping of the said gypsum and plaster of paris and other rocks in, upon and throughout the said lands, any drifts, shafts, jets or watercourses for the better and more effectual mining and carrying away the said gypsum or plaster of Paris and other rocks and generally to do all manner of acts upon, in and throughout the said lands which may be deemed necessary or desirable by the Grantee, its successors and assigns, for the mining, and quarrying the said gypsum or plaster of Paris and other rocks, the conveyance and shipment thereof and also reserving sufficient dumping ground in such place and places as may be convenient for that purpose for dumping dirt and debris as may be required in quarrying the said gypsum, plaster of Paris and other rocks by the said Grantee, its successors and assigns, and also a Right of Way sixteen feet wide for the said Grantee, its successors and assigns, and their agents, servants, workmen, tenants, and lessees and at all times to pass and repass from the said road, leading from Ellershouse Station to the Halifax Road to the lands conveyed over and along that lot marked on the said plan and lying and being to the southward of the lot hereby conveyed with teams and carriages, horses, oxen, and on foot or in any other way howsoever and for all purposes whatsoever, being and intended to be the same rights reserved by Windsor Plaster Company Limited in a Deed bearing date the 7th day of June, 1913, and registered at the Office of the Registrar of Deeds in Windsor in Book 113, at page 623.

THIRTEENTH: All the Gypsum, Plaster, Plaster of Paris, Lime and Lime Rock in, under and upon, all that lot of land and premises situate at Newport aforesaid, and abutted, bounded and described as follows, viz: Bounded northwardly by lands of John Poole; eastwardly by lands formerly owned by Oliver Dimock, but not owned by Anthony Dimock; southwardly by the Hebert River; and westwardly by lands formerly of the Midland Railway Company Limited, but now owned or occupied by the Dominion Atlantic Railway, containing one hundred and fifty acres, more or less; and also all trees and wood fit to be manufactured into barrel heads, staves and

formerly owned by Oliver Simson, but now owned by Anthony Bullock; southwardly [illegible] River; and westwardly by lands formerly of the Midland Railway Company Limited, but now owned or occupied by the Dominion Atlantic Railway, containing one hundred and fifty acres, more or less; and also all trees and wood fit to be manufactured into barrel heads, staves and hoops, now or which may hereafter be growing, standing, or lying in or upon such part or parts of the said lands as may contain gypsum or lime rock; with full and free ingress, egress and regress by the roads at present used and by such other roads and ways as may hereafter be constructed, operated or used from the highway or highways into and out of the said lot of land, at all times, by day and by night, with carriages, carts, sleds, sleighs and teams of all kinds and every nature and description, or on foot, or in any other manner, way or condition, together with the right and privilege of prospecting for, opening up, excavating, digging, quarrying,blasting and taking and getting out, manufacturing, cutting, hauling, shipping and taking away the said Gypsum, Plaster ,Plaster of Paris, Lime and Lime Rock, and the said barrel wood, from the said land, or any part thereof, and for the said or any of the said purposes to build, maintain, operate, occupy, and use mills, manufactories, houses, shanties, and buildings, on the said lands, and to remove the earth, rocks, dirt, trees, wood and debris from the same, or any part thereof, and to dump, put, place and deposit the said earth, rocks, dirt, rubbish, debris and other things in and upon the said lands or any part thereof, with the right and privilege of making, opening up, building, erecting, digging, laying down, repairing, maintaining, operating and using thereon all roads, ways, railways, tramways, drains, sewers, sluices, machinery and other things whatsoever, deemed necessary or expedient for any of the purposes of aforesaid; and also the right and privilege of damming and backing up the water in the River Hebert and other streams flowing through the said lands, or any part thereof and of building, maintaining, and operating mills and machinery thereon, and of doing all other things necessary for that purpose; also the right and

other things growing or being on the said lands as may be required or deemed necessary to build, maintain, repair and operate the said ways, railways, tramways and other works and things hereinbefore mentioned; and to do or cause to be done all other acts, matters and things which they the said C. Henry Dimock and Jesse P. Smith, their heirs, executors, administrators or assigns may deem necessary or expedient to be done in, on or under the said lands or any part thereof, in order to effectually quarry, get out, manufacture and take away the said gypsum,plaster, plaster of paris, lime and lime rock, and the said trees, barrel wood, barrels and other things, and to carry into effect the true intent and meaning of these presents, being and intended to be the same rights, reserved to Windsor Plaster Company Limited by Deed bearing date the 1st day of January, 1908, and registered in the office of the Registrar of Deeds at Windsor in Book 102 at page 788.

FOURTEENTH: All the gypsum or plaster (so called) on, under and upon those lands and premises situate at West Gore, aforesaid, and bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at a hemlock tree squared standing at the southeast angle of the outcropping granite formation; thence to run north, twenty three degrees and thirty minutes west, nine chains to a maple tree squared; thence north, forty one degrees west, seven chains and forty links to a post; thence south eighty two degrees west, three chains and eighty links to a squared fir tree; thence north, twenty nine degrees west, three chains and eighty five links to an ash post; thence south, seventy three degrees west, five chains and thirty links to a post; thence south, fifty five degrees and thirty minutes west, three chains and forty links to a post; thence north, eighty seven degrees and thirty minutes west, seven chains and eighty links to a post; thence north, twenty degrees and thirty minutes west, one chains and sixty three links to the old logging road; thence westerly the several courses of the logging road twelve chains to an ash post at the entrance of a ravine; thence southeast the several courses of the ravine, seven chains and eighty links to a spruce tree squared; thence south seventy two degrees east, fourteen chains to a hemlock tree square; thence north, sixty one degrees east across Glen Brook to a spruce tree squared on the top of the granite bluff; thence south, eighty two degrees east, twenty two chains along the granite formation to the place of beginning (as delineated and marked on a plan of plaster areas surveyed for

...rth, eighty two degrees east, twenty two chains along the granite formation to the ...ce of beginning (as delineated and marked on a plan of plaster areas surveyed for ...dsor Plaster Company Limited at Clarksville, made by L. M. Smith, Provincial Land ...rveyor and dated September 11, 1920).

TOGETHER with full liberty, right, license, power and authority for the Grantee, its ...uccessors and assigns, and its and their officers, agents, servants and workmen now ...d at all times hereafter, to enter into and upon the said lands and premises, and to sink shafts, blast, quarry and mine gypsum and deposit the same in, upon and throughout any part or parts of the said lands and premises, and to spaul, dress and make merchantable and fit for market, the said gypsum or plaster and to carry away and convert the same to their own use, and also with full and free liberty to erect buildings, and put, place and use machinery thereon, and to make drifts, pits, shafts and watercourse, and build and use, tramways, cable roads or other roads upon and over the said lands for the better and more effectual quarrying, mining and carrying away the said gypsum and the debris from the said works, and to make the said gypsum ready for market and convey it to a place of shipment, and to place, put and deposit debris and dirt from the said quarries on any part or parts of the said lands, and to do all things on the said lands necessary for the quarrying, getting out and hauling away the said gypsum or plaster.

AND ALSO the privilege of a right of way for the Grantee, its successors and assigns, and its and their officers, agents, servants and workmen to pass and repass between the

said lands hereinbefore described, and the road leading from West Gore to Centre Rawdon sometimes known as the "McInnis Road" on foot, and with horses, cattle, teams and vehicles of all kinds laden or unladen, and to haul over the said road, the said gypsum and materials of all kind necessary for the proper working of the said quarries with a right of ingress, egress and regress in, to and out of the said lands over the said road heretofore and now used- the said road to be of the width of two rods.

PROVIDED HOWEVER that the Grantee, its successors and assigns, and its and their officers, agents, servants and workmen shall at all times leave open and not obstruct a way or road from the northern side of the said lands near "Glen Brook" (so called) up the said brook between the banks or bluffs of plaster to other lands of the said Frederick J. McInnis, lying to the southward of the lands herein described for the said Frederick J. McInnis, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, to pass and repass between his said two lots of land at all times and for all purposes;

AND PROVIDED ALSO that the Grantee, its successors or assigns and its and their officers, agents, servants and workmen shall not back-up or obstruct the free flow of the water in the said Glen Brook;

AND FURTHER PROVIDED that should it be necessary in the quarrying or other operations of the Grantee, its successors or assigns, on the said lands that any of the trees growing or being thereon should be removed, the Grantee, its successors or assigns, shall notify the said Frederick J. McInnis, his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns , to remove the same, and in case of his or their refusal or neglect to remove the same for the space of one month after such notice, then the Grantee, its successors or assigns, its and their officers, agents, servants or workmen may remove the same and dispose of them to their own use;

Being and intended to be the same rights conveyed to Windsor Plaster Company Limited by deed bearing date the 26th day of October, 1920 and registered at the office of the Registrar of Deeds at Windsor in Book 131 at page 791 and in which said deed Frederick J. McInnis reserved to himself the right and privilege of entering in and upon the lands therein described at any time and of removing the trees growing or being thereon, or otherwise using the surface of the said lands, but not in such a way as to obstruct the said Windsor Plaster Company, Limited, its successors or assigns, in the working of the said quarries.

TOGETHER with all other lands, premises, rights, gypsum, plaster, lime, limestone and other property owned by the Grantor in the County of Hants and any and all interest or interests therein.

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Harry B. McCurdy
-and-
National Gypsum (Canada) Ltd.
Re-Registered at 11.30 A.M.,
Sept. 28th. A.D. 1951
By Certificates Annexed.

AGREEMENT

AGREEMENT made this 26th day of October, 1950, between HARRY B. McCURDY of Sydney, County of Cape Breton, Province of Nova Scotia, Canada, hereinafter called the SELLER, and NATIONAL GYPSUM (CANADA)LTD., a body corporate under the Companies' Act of the Dominion of Canada, with offices at Cheticamp, County of Inverness, Province of Nova Scotia, Canada, hereinafter called the BUYER.

WITNESSETH that in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements hereinafter contained the parties agree as follows:

1. SELLER represents to BUYER that he is a party to written agreements with the purported owners of seventy-three (73) tracts of land comprising in all approximately sixteen thousand (16,000) acres in the Counties of Halifax, Hants, and Colchester in the Province of Nova Scotia, Canada, and that these seventy-three (73) tracts of land are indicated in yellow on a Crown Lands Plan of the areas involved. SELLER further represents that the aforementioned seventy-three (73) agreements are recorded by sworn declarations in the Registry Offices of the aforementioned counties and are substantially in the form of the form of agreement attached hereto and marked Exhibit A. It is understood that there are in the case of certain of these agreements reservations by the grantors of cultivated lands and or other relatively small areas as to which the grantor and the SELLER must mutually agree before the SELLER will have the right to acquire certain rights, as hereinafter described in the reserved property. The SELLER further represents that pursuant to the terms of the aforementioned seventy-three (73) agreements, he has the right to drill, prospect, and explore for gypsum, limestone, and kindred materials on the said lands, together with necessary rights of ingress and egress therefor and the right to remove samples or trial lots therefrom, and that he has the option to purchase all of the gypsum, limestone, and kindred materials upon, in and under the said lands, together with the right to remove the same, and with such surface rights as may be necessary for the development, quarrying, storing, manufacturing, transporting, and shipping of the said materials in accordance with the terms of the said agreements. SELLER agrees that he will furnish upon request to BUYER or BUYER'S attorneys copies of any or all of the aforementioned seventy-three (73) agreements, except for the option purchase price which appears therein, so that there shall be made available to the Buyer or its attorneys the description of the various properties as they are described in the said agreements, the names and addresses of the grantors in [illegible] together with the other terms hereof, except for the SELLER'S option purchase price.

2. In consideration of the sum of Fifteen Thousand ($15,000.00) Dollars to him in hand paid by the BUYER, receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, the SELLER hereby assigns and transfers to the BUYER all of the SELLER'S rights under the said agreements to drill, explore, and prospect for gypsum, limestone, and kindred materials in and upon all of the said lands, together with necessary rights of ingress and egress, and the right to remove samples or trial lots for a period of three (3) years from the date of this agreement.

3. It is agreed that BUYER shall have the right to examine the title to such of the aforementioned lands as it desires to drill, explore, and prospect, and that SELLER will assist BUYER and BUYER'S attorneys in such title examinations by furnishing whatever information or documents may be available or obtainable by SELLER. It is agreed that if there are in existance abstracts of title covering the said properties which BUYER desires to drill, explore, and prospect, SELLER will endeavor to obtain the loan of such documents for title examination purposes.

4. SELLER hereby gives and grants to BUYER the exclusive right and privilege of purchasing for the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand ($135,000.00) Dollars in cash all of the gypsum, limestone, and kindred materials upon, in and under the aforementioned lands, together with the right to remove the same, and with such surface rights as may be necessary for the development, quarrying, storing, manufacturing, transporting, shipping of the said materials, and for all other purposes in any way incidental to BUYER'S interest in connection therewith.

Notice of election to exercise this option to purchase shall be given to SELLER in care of the Canadian Bank of Commerce at Sydney, Nova Scotia, by BUYER in writing, by registered mail, within three (3) years from the date of this agreement. At the same time, BUYER shall place in escrow with the Canadian Bank of Commerce at Halifax, Nova Scotia, its certified check, payable to the SELLER, in the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Five ($135,000.00) Thousand Dollars to be held by the said Bank until the delivery of the deed from SELLER to BUYER hereinafter described, and to be delivered to SELLER upon the tender of such a deed approved by the BUYER. In the event BUYER shall exercise its option to purchase hereunder. SELLER agrees as soon as possible thereafter to exercise his option to purchase the said minerals and rights under the aforementioned seventy-three agreements and to obtain a conveyance in accordance with the terms of said agreements of the said minerals and rights from the owners thereof. SELLER agrees to furnish to BUYER all title documents in his possession respecting the said lands, and BUYER shall thereupon cause an examination to be made of the titles to the aforementioned lands. In the event any of the titles to the said lands shall be found by BUYER to be unsatisfactory or defective, BUYER shall specify to SELLER in what respects the said titles are unsatisfactory, and SELLER shall endeavor to do whatever may be necessary to satisfy the BUYER as to such titles. It is agreed that BUYER'S objections to any of the said titles shall be limited to such defects therein as shall in the judgement of BUYER'S attorneys be of a substantial and material nature. In the event there should be any disagreement between the parties as to the title to the aforementioned minerals and rights acquired by the SELLER after SELLER shall have exhausted his efforts to satisfy the BUYER, the same shall, if possible, be resolved by mutual agreement. In the event of SELLER'S inability within a reasonable time to furnish BUYER with a deed to the aforementioned minerals and rights satisfactory to the BUYER, the BUYER'S aforementioned check shall be returned to the BUYER, and this agreement shall be of no further force and effect. Upon the execution and delivery by the SELLER to the BUYER of a deed whereby SELLER shall convey to BUYER the aforementioned minerals and rights in the said lands the aforementioned check held by the Canadian Bank of Commerce at Halifax, Nova Scotia, shall be delivered to the SELLER. It is agreed that the said

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conveyance of title shall take place at a time and place mutually agreeable to the parties.

5. SELLER agrees to act as agent for the BUYER for the purpose of acquiring gypsum and other minerals, together with the right to remove the same in lands other than those affected by this agreement which the BUYER s all have an interest in acquiring, and SELLER'S compensation therefor shall be mutually agreed upon.

6. SELLER agrees to comply with all of the terms of the aforementioned seventy-three (73) agreements in order that they shall be continued in full force and effect during the entire term of this agreement, and in order that his ability to acquire the aforementioned minerals and rights and to convey them to the BUYER shall be fully preserved.

7. This agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors, representatives, successors, and assigns of the parties hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have executed this agreement the day and year first above written.

HARRY B. McCURDY

Harry B. McCurdy

NATIONAL GYPSUM (CANADA) LTD.

By M.H. Baker President

STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF ERIE) SS.
CITY OF BUFFALO)

On this 26th day of October, 1950, before me personally came HARRY B. McCURDY to me personally known, and known to me to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and who acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

Ralph O. Kreinheder N.P.
Notary Public, State of New York
Residing in Erie County (L.S.)
Commission Expires March 30, 1952
Registration No. 3621

STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF ERIE)SS.
CITY OF BUFFALO)

On this 26th day of October, 1950, before me personally came M.H. BAKER to me personally known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that he resides in Buffalo, New York, that he is the President of the Corporation described in and which executed the foregoing instrument; and that the same was executed by order of the Board of Directors of the said Corporation and that he signed his name thereto by like order.

Ralph C. Kreinheder N.P.
Notary Public, State of New York (L.S.)
Residing in Erie County
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EXHIBIT "A"

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT, in duplicate, made and entered into this day of A.D., 195 .

BETWEEN: _____

IN THE COUNTY OF _____

Province of Nova Scotia, hereinafter called the "GRANTORS" of the One Part, -and-

H.B. McCurdy, of Sydney, in the County of Cape Breton, Province of Nova Scotia, hereinafter called the "GRANTEE" of the Other Part.

WITNESSETH, the GRANTORS for and in consideration of One Dollar, lawful currency of the Dominion of Canada, in hand well and truly paid to the GRANTORS by the GRANTEE, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by the GRANTORS, also other valuable considerations are hereby acknowledged by the GRANTORS. The GRANTORS hereby grant unto the GRANTEE an Option to purchase on or before the 31st. day of December, 195 , all the Gypsum, Limestone and kindred materials, upon, in and under the GRANTORS lands, together with such surface rights as the GRANTEE may deem necessary for the development, quarrying, storing, manufacturing, transporting, shipping and for all other purposes in any way incidental to the GRANTEES interests in connection therewith. The said rights can be selected at the time of purchase or from time to time thereafter and can be used by the GRANTEE in connection with similiar materials or other which may be acquired from time to time by the GRANTEE.

The said lands are contained within the following boundaries:

The purchase price for the said materials and rights is the sum of ($) Dollars. It is agreed that any payments made by the GRANTEE in connection with this Option that the GRANTEE is to receive credit for the same in the event of purchasing.

In the event of the Grantee deciding to purchase, the GRANTEE is to advise the GRANTORS, whereupon, the GRANTORS will obtain from the Registrar of Deeds Office, an Abstract of Title, forwarding the same by Registered mail to the GRANTEE, addressed to Sydney, Nova Scotia. Upon receipt of the same, and if found in order, the GRANTEE will have a Deed prepared, free from all encumbrances. The GRANTEE will then forward the same to the GRANTORS, whereupon, the GRANTORS will complete and return by Registered mail to the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Sydney, Nova Scotia, whereupon, the Bank will notify the GRANTEE, whereupon, the GRANTEE will pay the Bank the amount due, provided the Deed is in order, whereupon, the Bank will deliver the same to the GRANTEE and remit the amount due to the GRANTORS.

IT IS HOWEVER AGREED, that in the event of the GRANTEE not purchasing on or before the 31st. day of December, 195 , that the GRANTEE is to have the unrestricted right to do so at any time thereafter, at the said purchase price, as stated in the third paragraph of this Option, and notifying the GRANTORS to this effect, whereupon, the GRANTORS will follow the procedure as set forth in the fourth paragraph of this Option.

IT IS HOWEVER AGREED, that if at any time after the 31st. day of December, 195 , the GRANTORS receive a bona fide offer for the said materials and rights, and provided the GRANTORS decide to sell to such, the purchaser as an evidence of good faith, will be required to make an Affadavit in accordance with Statute, that he or they are prepared to purchase the said materials and rights, and that a certified cheque on a chartered Canadian Bank payable to the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Sydney, Nova Scotia, for the full purchase price is being attached thereto. If the purchase is being made for or on behalf of any company, party or others, the Affadavit is to give their names and addresses in full. The Affadavit is also to state that the GRANTORS copy of this Option is being attached thereto. The GRANTORS will then forward a letter by Registered mail to the said Bank, reading as follows: "Enclosed please find the following:

(1) Copy of Option
(2) Affadavit
(3) Certified Cheque.

The Option you will note is between the GRANTORS and the GRANTEE. Please notify the GRANTEE by Registered mail that you have received the above listed matter and that the same can be examined by him or his nominee."

IT IS HOWEVER AGREED, that unless the GRANTEE pays to the said Bank the amount due in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Option, within ninety days from the date that the Bank registered their letter to the GRANTEE, that the Bank is to sell the said materials and rights to the said purchaser as indicated in the said Affadavit. If however, the GRANTEE decides to purchase and if the price stated in the Affadavit is less than the amount stipulated in the third paragraph of this Option, then, that is the amount the GRANTEE is to pay,

WHENEVER THE BANK KNOWS who is entitled to the said materials and rights, the Bank will notify the GRANTORS, whereupon, the GRANTORS will forward to the said Bank, a Deed with an Abstract of Title attached thereto. If everything is in order, the Bank will remit the amount due to the GRANTORS.

LANDS UNDER CULTIVATION on the date of this Option, if ever required by the GRANTEE can be purchased (See paragraph one), at a price to be mutually agreed upon, otherwise, by arbitration.

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The GRANTORS and the GRANTEE will each appoint one, and the two appointed will select the third. If they cannot agree, then, the Assessor for the County or adjoining County will be called upon to act, and it is mutually agreed between the parties hereto to abide by the decision.

NOTWITHSTANDING ANYTHING HEREINBEFORE CONTAINED, it is mutually understood and agreed that the provisions of this Option shall be void after the expiration of twenty years.

The GRANTEE or his nominee has the right at any time during the term of this Option, to enter upon the said lands for purposes of prospecting and securing samples and trial lots for which no charge is to be made.

THIS AGREEMENT is to be binding upon and enure to the benefit of not only the parties hereto, but upon their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns of each of the GRANTORS and the GRANTEE.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have hereunto their hands set and seals affixed the day and year first above written.

SIGNED, SEALED and DELIVERED in the presence of:

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Province of Nova Scotia)
COUNTY OF SS)

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON this day of 195_, personally came and appeared _____ a subscribing witness to the foregoing Indenture, who having been by me duly sworn, made oath and said that _____ The Parties Hereto, SIGNED, SEALED and DELIVERED THE SAME IN HIS PRESENCE.

Names of owners of tracts of land in the County of Halifax, Province of Nova Scotia, who have given options on their respective lands to Harry B. McCurdy in the forms of Exhibit "A" mentioned in the Agreement made the 26th day of October 1950 between the said Harry B. McCurdy of the one part and National Gypsum (Canada) Limited of the other part, said Agreement being attached hereto.

No.	Name	District	No. Acres		Option Period
1	X Barron, Harry	Dutch Settlement, Halifax Co.	150	20	3/6/48
2	X Withpow, John D.	"	300	20	1/9/49
3	√Isenor, Charles 424066	" 11D14X3	90	20	30/6/48
4	√Isenor, Arthure 524033	" 11D14X3	50	20	30/6/48
5	XGraves, Wm.	"	35	20	30/6/48
6	X Keys, Frank	"	67	20	30/6/48
7	√Ashley, Blanchard 525360	" 5P0949	225	20	30/6/48
8	XDidsbury, Richard [illegible]	"	97	20	30/6/48
9	X McDonald, Fred	"	73	20	30/6/48
10	X Logan, Mitchell	"	60	20	30/6/48
11	√Logan, Ralph 524520	" 11D14X3	11	20	30/6/48
12	X Logan, Geo.A.	"	239	20	30/6/48
13	Ashley, Munson V.	"	50	20	1/9/49
14	XHines, Lawrence	"	50	20	30/6/48
15	XHines, Norman	"	50	20	30/6/48
16	McMullen, Chas. 524546	" 5P0850	10	20	6/9/50
17.	Isenor, Frank	"	100	20	30/6/48
18	√Isenor, Avery 524041	" 11D14X3	88	20	30/6/48
19	√Isenor, Salter 40311029	" 11D14X3	88	20	30/6/48
19½	√Isenor, Guy 524058	" 5P0850	70	20	31/8/48
20	XIsenor, Wilburn, Jr.	"	50	20	30/6/48
20½	Ashley, Elmer 523209	" 5P0850	50	20	30/6/48
21	XHare, Albert	"	70	20	30/6/48
22	XAshley, Hiram	"	63	20	30/6/48
23	XGrono, Ralph	"	135	20	30/6/48
24	√Hurshman, Wm. L. 40227761 40229627	" 11E03R1	130	20	15/7/50
25	XKoore, James	"	75	20	30/6/50
26	XIsenor, Allison	"	175	20	30/6/50
27	X Phalen, John	"	300	20	1/9/49
28	X Tully, Everett	"	200	20	1/9/49
29	X Smith, George	"	200	20	30/6/48
30	XCarrol, Edward	"	237	20	30/6/48
31	OCastle, Jack E.	Carrols Corner	192	20	27/12/49
32	X Annand, Albert		200	20	23/11/49
33	X Benjamin, H. Watson [illegible]		600	20	23/11/49
34	X Keys, Alfred		136	20	23/11/49

35	X Blades, Willis			143	20	27/11/49
36	Binger, Lawrence C. 523019 4029152		11E03R2	140	20	11/11/49
37	X Hawkins, Chas. G.	"	"	1,400	On or before 3/12/52	
38	X Dillman, Kenneth	"	"	200	20	30/6/48
39	Wilbur, Jas. B. 4022 3827 10 2255 35	"	" 11D14X4	450	20	10/12/48
40	X Rankin, Murray	Antrim		421	20	30/6/48
41	Benjamin, Frank R. 4022 80	Cooken Brook	11E035	900	20	27/12/49
42	X Mitchell, Mary B.	"	"	60	20	27/12/49
43	Poole, Harry	"	"	300	20	27/12/49
44	Innis, Milton R.	Lake Egmont		300	20	27/12/49
45	King, George	"	"	335	20	27/12/49
46	X Butler, C. W.	"	"	600	20	27/12/49
47	O'Olivie, Walter M.	Cranberry Lake, Halifax Co.		100	20	27/12/49
48	X McMullin, Maurice	"	"	100	20	28/7/ 50
49	Woodworth, Nellie J.	Milford, Hants Co.		50	20	1/9/49
50	Woodworth, John E.	"		225	20	1/9/49
51	Woodworth, Jas. E.	"		450	20	30/6/48
52	X McDonald, Alex.	"		100	20	30/6/48
53	X Miller, Jas. N.	Elmsdale, Hants Co.		300	20	28/9/49
54	X McDowell, Burt H. & Allen	"		200	20	28/9/49
55	Taylor, Gerald L.	Enfield, Hants Co.		356	20	28/9/49
56	Thompson, Gordon G.	"		300	20	
57	Whitehead, Harry R.	"		150	20	28/9/49
58	X McDonell, Frank F.	"		150	20	28/9/49
59	X McDonell, E. C.	"		200	20	28/9/49
60	X Horne et al, Gerald W.	"		700	20	28/9/49
61	McKenzie, R. W.	"		700	20	28/9/49
62	X Steeves, Canning B.			700	20	9/48 ?
63	X McPhee, Annie	Renfrew, Hants. Co.		50	20	"
64	X Isenor, Laurie	"		50	20	"
65	X Powell	Nine Mile River, Hants Co.		150 ?	20	(9/50)
66	X Layton	" " "		500 ?	20	(9/50)
67	Thompson, Silas	" " "		200 ?	20	9/50
68	Thompson, Lilian	" " "		400 ?	20	9/50
69	X Sheridan, Patrick	Admiral Rock (Dist)		100 ?	20	1/50 ?
70	Webb, W.	"	"	100	20	1/50 ?
71	Mooring, A.J. R.	Hilden, Colchester Co.			325 20	1950 ?
72	X Bruce, Hector	"			100 ? 20	" ?
73	X Hore, Chas. B.	"			200 ? 20	1950 ?

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35	Blades, Willis			143	20	27/11/49
36	Singer, Lawrence C.	523019 402915-28	11E03R2	140	20	11/11/49
37	Hawkins, Chas. G.	"	"	1,400	On or before 3/12/52	
38	Dillman, Kenneth	"	"	200	20	30/6/48
39	Wilbur, Jas. B.	402285-7 402285-5	" 11D14X4	450	20	10/12/48
40	Rankin, Murray	Antrim		421	20	30/6/48
41	Benjamin, Frank R.	402280 Cookes Brook	11F035	900	20	27/12/49
42	Mitchell, Mary B.	"	"	60	20	27/12/49
43	Poole, Harry	"	"	300	20	27/12/49
44	Innis, Milton R.	Lake Egmont		300	20	27/12/49
45	King, George	"	"	335	20	27/12/49
46	Butler, C. W.	"	"	600	20	27/12/49
47	O'Clivie, Walter M.	Cranberry Lake, Halifax Co.		100	20	27/12/49
48	McMullin, Maurice	"	"	100	20	28/7/ 50
49	Woodworth, Nellie J.	Milford, Hants Co.		50	20	1/9/49
50	Woodworth, John E.	"		225	20	1/9/49
51	Woodworth, Jas. E.	"		450	20	30/6/48
52	McDonald, Alex.	"		100	20	30/6/48
53	Miller, Jas. N.	Elmsdale, Hants Co.		300	20	28/9/49
54	McDowell, Burt H. & Allen	"		200	20	28/9/49
55	Taylor, Gerald L.	Enfield, Hants Co.		356	20	28/9/49
56	Thompson, Gordon G.	"		300	20	
57	Whitehead, Harry R.	"		150	20	28/9/49
58	McDonell, Frank F.	"		150	20	28/9/49
59	McDonell, E. C.	"		200	20	28/9/49
60	Horne et al, Gerald W.	"		700	20	28/9/49
61	McKenzie, R. W.	"		700	20	28/9/49
62	Steeves, Canning B.			700	20	9/48 ?
63	McPhee, Annie	Renfrew, Hants. Co.		50	20	"
64	Isenor, Laurie	"		50	20	"
65	Powell	Nine Mile River, Hants Co.		150 ?	20	(9/50)
66	Layton	"	"	500 ?	20	(9/50)
67	Thompson, Silas	"	"	200 ?	20	9/50
68	Thompson, Lillian	"	"	400 ?	20	9/50
69	Sherman, Patrick	Admiral Rock (Dist)		100 ?	20	1/50 ?
70	[illegible]	"		100	20	1/50 ?
71	Mooring, A.J. R.	Hilden, Colchester Co.		325	20	1950 ?
72	Bruce, Hector	"		100 ?	20	" ?
73	Hore, Chas. B.	"		200 ?	20	1950 ?

(Approx. Acreage 15, 921)

DEED 1846
HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN
AND
LITTLE NARROWS GYPSUM COMPANY LIMITED
Registered at Antigonish
9 am, February 8, 1961
On Certificate of J. Lawrence Bre , A Commissioner of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia.

THIS INDENTURE made this 30th day of November, A.D., 1960 BETWEEN HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN IN THE RIGHT OF HER PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA represented by The Honourable Richard A. Donahoe, Attorney General of the said Province of Nova Scotia, hereinafter called the "Grantor" OF THE ONE PART and LITTLE NARROWS GYPSUM COMPANY LIMITED a Dominion Corporation having a principal office and place of business at Toronto, Ontario, Canada, hereinafter called the "Grantee" OF THE OTHER PART WHEREAS Nova Scotia Gypsum Company Limited was incorporated under the Nova Scotia Companies Act on the 7th day of January, A.D., 1927, as a Body Corporate; AND WHEREAS by Deed dated the 13th day of January, A.D., 1928, and recorded at the Registry of Deeds for the County of Antigonish in Book 80 at Page 6 32 the Canada Cement Company Limited conveyed to the Nova Scotia Gypsum Company Limited all mining and surface rights on three certain lots, pieces or parcels of land covered or overlaid with gypsum, limestone or other minerals, which said lots of land were situate within the County of Antigonish; AND WHEREAS Nova Scotia Gypsum Company Limited was struck off the Companies Register on the 30th day of July, A.D., 1942, and from and after that said date had no corporate existence and was thereby dissolved. AND WHEREAS by Chapter 72 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1954, entitled "Dissolved Corporations Property Act" it is provided inter alia that where a corporation is dissolved the lands, tenements and hereditaments situate in the Province of which the corporation was seized or to which it was entitled at the time of its dissolution, shall for all purposes be deemed to escheat to Her Majesty in the right of the Province of Nova Scotia and it is further provided that whenever it is made to appear to the satisfaction of the Governor in Council upon the report of the Attorney General that by reason of the dealings or relationship of any person with the dissolved corporation, or by reason of any other circumstances, any lands, tenements, hereditaments or rights of such corporation should be conveyed, transferred or assigns to such person, the Governor in Countil upon such terms and conditions, if any, as he sees fit may convey, transfer or assign to such person any such lands, tenements, hereditaments or rights; AND WHEREAS The Governor in Council is satisfied upon the report of the Attorney General that all the right, title and interest of Her Majesty the Queen in the right of Her Province of Nova Scotia, of, in and to the mining and surface rights in the said three certain lots of land should be conveyed to the Grantee herein; AND WHEREAS by Order-in-Council made the 25th day of November, A.D., 1960, the Attorney General was authorized to execute on behalf of Her Majesty the Queen in the right of Her Province of Nova Scotia a Deed of Conveyance to the said Grantee of all the right, title and interest of her majesty the Queen in the lands hereinafter described, acquired by reason of the dissolution of the said Nova Scotia Gypsum Company Limited. NOW THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH that the said Grantor for and in consideration of the premises and of the sum of One Dollar ($1.00) of lawful money of Canada to the said Grantor in hand well and truly paid by the said Grantee at or before the ensealing and delivery of These Presents (the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged) hath granted, assigned, conveyed, confirmed and quitted claim and by These Presents doth grant, assign, convey, confirm and quit claim unto the Grantee, its Successors and Assigns, all the right, title and interest of the Grantor acquired by reason of the dissolution of the said Nova Scotia Gypsum Company Limited of, in and to the following lands and premises or any part or parcel thereof of which the said Nova Scotia Gypsum Company Limited was seized or to which it was entitled at the time of its dissolution; Lot No. 1 All mining and surface rights on all those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land covered or underlaid with gypsum, limestone or other materials now owned or which may be owned by the Grantors in the County of Antigonish.. Beginning at Monks Head; Thence in a Southerly direction to Heatherton; Thence in a Westerly direction to Beech Hill; Thence in a Northerly direction to Gloverville; Thence in an Easterly direction following the shore line of St. Georges Bay to the place of beginning. Lot No. 2 All mining and surface rights on all those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land covered or underlaid with gypsum, limestone or other minerals at Harbour Centre... bounded and described as follows : On the Northward by lands of John McMaster; On the Eastward by lands of John P. Grant; On the Southward by waters of Antigonish Harbour; On the Westward by lands of the Grantee, formerly lands of John A. McInnis containing three hundred (300) acres more of less, reserving the driveway and land within one hundred (100) feet of any building and reserving timber. Lot No. 3 All mining and surface rights in all those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land covered or underlaid with gypsum, limestone or other minerals now owned or which may be owned by the Grantors in the County of Antigonish.....bounded as follows: On the North by lands of Donald Chisholm; On the East by waters of St. Georges Bay; On the South by lands of John P. Grant; On the West by McMasters Road so-called containing one hundred and twenty (120) acres, more or less. TO HAVE AND TO HOLD all the right, title and interest of the Grantor acquired by reason of the dissolution of the said Nova Scotia Gypsum Company Limited in the above described lands and premises, with the apurtenances, and every part thereof, unto and to the use of the said Grantee, its Successors and Assigns forever. AND the Grantor for Herself, Her Successors and Assigns, covenants with the Grantee, its Successors and Assigns, that She has done no act to encumber the said lands. AND IT IS DECLARED that the Grantor enters into or gives no other covenants, express or implied, whatsoever. IN WITNESS WHEREOF the said The Honourable Richard A. Donahoe, Attorney General of the Province of Nova Scotia, on behalf of the Grantor, hath hereunto set his Hand and Seal the day and year first above written.

SIGNED, SEALED and DELIVERED in the presence of Marjorie I. Mackey

Richard A. Donahoe
The Honourable Richard A. Donahoe, Attorney General of the Province of Nova Scotia.

PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA
COUNTY OF HALIFAX SS

On this 30th day of November, A.D., 1960, before me, the subscriber, personally came and appeared Marjorie I. Mackey, a subscribing Witness to the foregoing Indenture, who, having been by me duly sworn, made oath and said that The Honourable Richard A. Donahoe, Attorney General of the Province of Nova Scotia, on behalf of the Grantor, signed, sealed and delivered the same in her presence.

J. Lawrence Bre
A Commissioner of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia.

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Declaration 709)
Re Option)
N.S. Land Settlement Board.)
Gypsum, Limestone & Surface Rts)
Registered at Antigonish at)
9 a.m. on July 8th, 1955.)

I, H.B. McCurdy, of Sydney, Nova Scotia, hereby declare that on the 24th day of August, A.D., 1950, for valuable consideration, the receipt of which was acknowledged in the option hereinafter referred to, that the Nova Scotia Land Settlement Board, with head office in Truro, Nova Scotia, and Bernard MacIsaac, of Antigonish, in the Province of Nova Scotia, Merchant, granted unto H.B. McCurdy, of Sydney, Province of Nova Scotia, an Option to purchase at any time within (20) twenty years from the said date, all the gypsum and limestone upon in and under the Grantors lands, together with such surface rights as the Grantee may deem necessary for all purposes incidental to the Grantees interests in connection with the said materials.

The said lands comprise (690) six hundred and ninety acres more or less and situate on the North side of Antigonish Harbour, in the County of Antigonish and more particularly described as follows:

First Lot : Bounded on the North by the Northern Base Line of the Soldier's Grant (so called) On the East by land of the Nova Scotia Gypsum Company (formerly of Charles MacDonald) On the South by the highway leading from the Town of Antigonish to Cape George, and on the West by land of Joseph Campbell (formerly of Thomas Hogan) containing two hundred and ninety (290) acres more or less, and being the same lot of land conveyed by Walter A. Boyle to Michael Boyle by Deed recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Antigonish, N.S. in Book 90 page 537.

Second Lot. Bounded on the Westward by lands of W.S. Harris, on the Northward by Fairmont lands, on the Eastward by lands of George and John Smith and on the Southward by Main Highway leading from Antigonish to Cape George, containing Four Hundred acres, more or less and being land formerly occupied by Dan J. MacDonald and wife and vested in the Grantor by certificate of sale, dated October 12th, 1939, recorded in Book 84, at page 498, and conveyed by the Municipality of Antigonish to His Majesty the King as represented by the Nova Scotia Land Settlement Board by Deed dated June 20th, 1949 and recorded at the Registry of Deeds, Antigonish in Book 91, pages 503 and 504 SAVING AND EXCEPTING THEREOUT AND THEREFROM THAT CERTAIN PIECE OF LAND CONTAINING 2.76 acres, conveyed to His Majesty the King by Deed dated July 3, 1950.

The said option was signed on behalf of the Nova Scotia Land Settlement Board on the 24th day of August 1950 by S.E. Lewis and Witnessed by J.A. Silver, The said Option was also signed by Bernard MacIsaac and witnessed by I.F. MacDonald.

And I make the foregoing declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the Canada Evidence Act.

Taken and declared at Sydney, in the County of Cape Breton, this 7th day of July, A.D., 1955.

Before me, H.A. Powe A Commissioner of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia.

H.B. McCurdy

DECLARATION 707
Re J.H.Winfield (Option)
S.S.Antigonish Harbor,N.S.
Gypsum,Limestone,Surface Rts.
Registered at Antigonish at
9 a.m. on July 8th, 1955.

DECLARATION
MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

Made and entered into this 25th day of May, A.D., 1955.
Between J.H.Winfield, of Somerset,Bermuda
AND H.B.McCurdy, of Sydney,Province of Nova Scotia,

IN CONSIDERATION of your agreeing to purchase all my gypsum,limestone, kindred materials,land interests and rights to which I am entitled and as appear in recorded documents in the Books of the Registry of Deeds Office at Antigonish,Province of Nova Scotia, at any time within approximately Five (5) years from the first day of October 1955 at the purchase price as set forth in my previous option to you, which expired in December 1954, copy of which you have in your possession.

It is understood that your obligation to purchase is dependent upon your affecting a sale of your Gypsum Holdings atAntigonish Harbor and adjacent territories with the Interests to whom you are about to grant an option to purchase at any time within Five (5) years from the first day of October 1955

It is agreed that if the said interests decide to exercise their option before the Five (5) years are up, that I am to be paid the amount due forthwith, allowing a reasonable time for you to complete the transaction with the said Interests, Whenever you tender the amount to me, I will forward a deed to the Canadian Bank of Commerce at Sydney,Nova Scotia with instructions to deliver the same to you upon payment of the amount due. The foregoing is not only binding upon myself but upon my heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns.

During the term of this option the Grantee has the unrestricted right to enter upon the said lands for purposes of prospecting and diamond drilling for the said gypsum, limestone and kindred materials and to obtain and remove samples and trial lots for which no charge is to be made.

In Witness Whereof, I have set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

Sworn before me at Halifax,
in the County of Halifax,
this 25th day of May 1955.
William Menchions
A Notary Public
in and for the
Province of Nova Scotia.

DECLARATION 708
RE OPTION
R.C. & G.H.Harris.
ReGypsum,Limestone,
Surface Rights
Registered at Antigonish
at) a.m. on July 8th, 1955.

This is to certify that on the 21st day of August,1950 for valuable consideration receipt of which was acknowledged, Reginald C. and Guy R.Harris, of Harbor Centre, in the County of Antigonish,Province of Nova Scotia, granted unto H.B.McCurdy of Sydney,Province of Nova Scotia, an option to purchase at any time within (20) years from the said date, all the gypsum,limestone,kindred materials, upon in and under their lands, together with certain surface rights,The said lands are contained within a radius of fifteen miles of the Town of Antigonish in the County of Antigonish aforesaid, The said option was duly signed,witnessed and sworn to before H.I.Webb, a Barrister of the SupremeCourt of Nova Scotia, the 22nd day of August,A.D., 1950. Copies of the said option are in the possession of therespective parties thereto.

Dated at Sydney,Nova Scotia,
the 7th day of June 1955.

(Signed) H.B.McCurdy

I, H.A.Prowde, hereby affirm,
that the foregoing signature of
H.B.McCurdy, is true and correct.
H.A.Prowde, A Commissioner of theSupremeCourt of Nova Scotia.

Sworn to before me in the County of Cape Breton.
Dated at Sydney,Nova Scotia,
this 7th,day of June, A.D., 1955.

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AGREEMENT TO BIND SALE

Registered at 11.00 a.m. of the 12th day of June A.D., 1957,
ne oath of H. Orvel Sebing

Registrar of Deeds
M.Q. MacLeod

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT TO BIND SALE OF PROPERTY

MADE BETWEEN:

THE VICTORIA GYPSUM MINING AND MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED, a body corporate under the provisions of Chapter 165 of the Statutes of Nova Scotia for the year 1890 (hereinafter called "the Vendor")

OF THE ONE PART

-and-

NATIONAL GYPSUM (CANADA) LIMITED, a body corporate having its head office at CHETICAMP in the County of Inverness in said Province (hereinafter called "the Purchaser")

OF THE OTHER PART.

FIRST: The Vendor agrees to sell and the Purchaser agrees to buy,

1. ALL the leasehold interest of the Vendor in gypsum or plaster of paris and kindred materials held by the Vendor under lease contained within the boundaries defined in the deed from Mary Elizabeth MacCurdy and her husband William F. MacCurdy to the Vendor dated the 18th day of May 1891 and registered in the office of the Registrar of Deeds for the County of Victoria, Nova Scotia, on the 3th day of September 1891 in record book Q at page 316 and leaseholds elsewhere in the said county; and without restricting the generality of the foregoing all the gypsum or plaster of paris and kindred materials held by the Vendor under the following conveyances, that is to say,

Parcel Numbered 15, John MacLeod, Lessor, registered in the said Registry in Book O, page 322.

Parcel Numbered 16, John MacLeod, Lessor, registered in the said Registry in Book O, page323.

Parcel Numbered 17, Norman MacLeod and James MacLeod, registered in the said Registry in Book O, page 319.

Parcel Numbered 18, Norman MacLeod et al-heirs of John MacLeod registered in the said Registry in Book W page 10.

Parcel Numbered 19, Norman MacLeod et al-heirs of John MacLeod, registered in the said Registry in Book w, page 10.

Parcel numbered 20, Murdock McIver, registered in the said Registry in Book O, page 318.

Parcel numbered 21, Angus MacLeod, registered in the said Registry in Book O, page 353.

all ofthe said leases being from the said Lessors to the said Elizabeth F. MacCurdy and dated March 5th 1889 (of March 6th 1889) excepting the lease of said Parcel No. 21 which is dated May the 13th 1889. All the right, title and interest of the Vendor in said leases shall be assigned by proper assignment of lease as hereinafter provided.

2. ALL the estate, right, title, privileges, interest, claim and demand of the Vendor under and by virtue of any and every deeds, leases, conveyances, covenants, provisions, stipulations, concessions, resolutions and assignments of, in, to, under and out of all those lots of land situate within the Province of Nova Scotia.

3. The lands in fee simple owned by the company situate within the said County of Victoria and elsewhere within the Province of Nova Scotia, the said lands owned by the

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Vendor in fee simple to be more fully described in a schedule to a conveyance from the Vendor to the Purchaser hereinafter referred to.

SECOND: The price of the said property shall be $42,500,00 ;10% of which is paid at the time fo the execution of this agreement, the remainder to be paid on delivery of the conveyances hereinafter referred to.

THIRD : The Vendor shall convey to the Purchaser by proper assignment of lease or other conveyance to be settled as to form by the solicitors for the parties hereto all the right, title and interest of the Vendor in the leasehold and other property rights specified in paragraph First, sub-paragraphs 1 and 2 hereof, and shall convey to the Purchaser the said lands held by the Vendor in fee simple by Deed in the form in common use in the Province of Nova Scotia, without comenant or warranty as to title.

FOURTH: The Vendor will also procure from the heirs, executors and administrators of the late Charles Hart a conveyance from the proper parties of them to the Purchaser of the lands said to be acquired by the said Charles Hart for or on behalf of the Vendor described in a Tax Deed from the Municipality of the County of Victoria to the said Charles Hart dated the 17th day of November 1927 and registered in the said Registry in Book W.W. at page 81 and all other property (if any) owned by the eatate of the late Charles Hart situate, within the boundaries described in the said deed dated May 18th 1891.

FIFTH: AT the time of the delivery of the said conveyances the said leasehold interest, lands in fee simple and other property rights shall be free from all taxes, rates and assessments and all judgments (if any) that constituteencumbrances on the said properties or property rights.

SIXTH: Vacant possession of the said leasehold interest, lands in fee simple and other property shall be given to the Purchaser with the delivery of the conveyanceswhich shall take place not later than the 15th day of June 1957.

Time shall be of the essence of this contract.

The Vendor acknowledges receipt from the Purchaser of the sum of Four Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars ($4,250.00) on account ofthe purchase price.

IN W ITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have executed this Memorandum to Bind Sale of Property by their agents thereunto duly authorized in this behalf as of the 1st day of May, 1957.

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED in the presence of:
SEAL

H.Orvel Sebring

Ruth O. Purell

THE VICTORIA GYPSUM MINING AND MANUFACTURING COMPANY, limited.

EILEEN HART McMICHAEL
President

NATALIE HART
Secretary

NATIONAL GYPSUM (CANADA) LIMITED

E.D. BROWN SEAL
Vice-President and General Manager

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA
CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

I, ETHEL F. ALLEN a Notary Public in and for the Sate of Pennsylvania, residing and practing at the City of Philadelphia in the state of Pennsylvania, duly authorized and commissioned, hereby certify that on this 29th day of May A.D. 1957, before me, the subscriber personally came and appeared, H. ORVEL SEERING residing at Philadelphie, in said State, a subscribing witness to the foregoing Indenture, who having been by me duly sworn, made oath and said that THE VICTORIA GYPSUX MINING AND MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED, a party thereto, executed the same in his presence by affixing its corporate seal thereto attested by the xxix hands of Eileen Hart McMichael, its president, and Natalie Hart, its

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DEED

Registered at 9.30 a.m. of the 4th day of July A.D. 1957, on the oath of Evelyn W. Russell

Registrar of Deeds
M.A. MacLeod

THIS INDENTURE made as of this 15th day of June in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and fifty seven.

BETWEEN:

THE VICTORIA GYPSUM MINING AND MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED, a body corporate under the provisions of Chapter 185 of the Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1890, hereinafter called the "GRANTOR"

OF THE ONE PART

-and-

NATIONAL GYPSUM(CANADA) LIMITED, a body corporate having its Head Office at Cheticamp, in the County of Inverness, Province of Nova Scotia, herein after called the "GRANTEE"

OF THE OTHERPART

WITNESSETH that the said Grantor for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar ($1.00) of lawful money of Canada, and other good and valuable consideration to the said Grantor in hand well and truly paid by the said Grantee, at or before the ensealing and delivery of These Presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath granted, bargained, sold, aliened, enfeoffed released, remised, conveyed and confirmed, and by These Presents doth grant, bargain, sell, alien, enfeoff, release, remise, convey and confirm unto the Grantee, its successors and assigns, ALL its estate, right, title, interest, claim, property and demand both at law and in equity of, in to or out of any land within the Province of Nova Scotia, and without restricting the generality of the foregoing all those lots, pieces and parcels of land situate, lying and being in the County of Victoria, in the Province of Nova Scotia, particularly bounded and described in "Schedule A" hereto annexed.

TOGETHER WITH all and singular the buildings, easements, tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances to the same belonging or in anywise appertaining, with the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents and issues and profits thereof, and all the estate, right, title, interest, claim, property and demand, both at law and inequity of the said Grantor of, in, or out of the same, or any part thereof;

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said land and premises, with the appurtenances, and every part thereof, unto the said Grantee, its successors and assigns, to its or their sole use, benefit and behoof forever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF The Victoria Gypsum Mining and Manufacturing Company, Limited, one of the parties to These Presents has caused its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed, duly attested by its proper officers in that behalf on the day and year first above written.

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED in the presence of

F.F. Dixon Wainwright

F.F. Dixon Wainwright

THE VICTORIA GYPSUM MINING AND MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

by EILEEN HART McMICHAEL

and NATALIE HART

NO. 17711

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA } SS

I HEREBY CERTIEYthat on the 15th day of June, A.D. 1957, before me, the subscriber, a Notary Public by Lawful Authority duly appointed and sworn, residing and practising at Philadelphia, in the State of Pennsylvania, United States of America, personally came and appeared T.F. Dixon Wainwright a subscribing witness to the foregoing Indenture, who, having been by me duly sworn, made oath and said the THE VICTORIA GYPSUM MINING AND MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED, therein named caused the same to be executed by Eileen Hart McMichael, its President, and Natalie Hart, its Secretary, and its corporate seal to be thereunto affixed in his presence.

EVELYN W. RUSSELL
a Notary Public in and for the state of Pennsylvania

Notary Stamp.

SCHEDULE "A"

Victoria Gypsum Mining and Manufacturing Company Limited,
Lands owned by said company in fee simple and appurtenant easements subject to certain reservations as appear below.

Parcel referred to in Memorandum at end of Abstract of Title of N.S. (Can) Ltd. No. 23

1. ALL that piece and parcel of land bounded on the west by the Port Bevis Railway, on south by Port Bevis or Big Harbor Post Road so called bounded on the north by a line beginning at a stake at the eastern end of the first culvert north of trestle pond Port Bevis railway; THENCE S 86° 15' E 12 chains 46 links to a birch on MacMillin's western line; THENCE by said western boundary line S 2° 45' 2 chains 50 links to a fir; THENCE S 63° 30' W 2 chains 33 links to a fir on the northern side of Port Bevis or Big Harbor Post Road aforesaid containing 7¾ acres more or less. (Reserving to one Donald MacKenzie of Port Bevis aforesaid a right-of-way from rear to front of said lot for his horses, cattle andcarts in such place as may be convenient to the Grantee its successors and assigns).

Second: ALL that piece or parcel of land situated at Port Bevis aforesaid on the western side of aforesaid railway and bounded and described as follows; viz: Bounded on the south by the Port Bevis road aforesaid , on the east by the Port Bevis railway, on the north by a line commencing at the western side of Port Bevis railway aforesaid at a point 50' from the northern side of Port Bevis Post Road aforesaid; THENCE running west 50'; THENCE south 50' more or less to the Port Bevis Road aforesaid.
BEING those lands conveyed by Donald MacKenzie by Deed dated June 12, 1894, to Mary E. McCurdy, 7¾ acres and a 50 foot square lot within his grant, and by deed registered February 11,1895)Book T page 157) Mary E. McCurdy and her husband T.F. McCurdy to Victoria Gypsum Mining and Manufacturing Company, Limited.

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Abstract Parcel Numbered 23.
Book Q-p.218
May 18, 1891 (blanket,
which would include Chas. J.
Campbell grant of Jan. 15,
1877,-Book C-p.10).

3. A lot of land containing two hundred and eleven acres situate, lying and being in the County of Victoria and bounded as follows; BEGINNING at a marked birch tree standing at the northeastern angle of land granted to John McLeod in the district of Big Hill; Thence running south three degrees and thirty minutes west by the eastern line of the said grant ten chains; thence south eighty six degrees east by the north line of Angus McMillan's grant twenty chains; thence south three degrees and thirty minutes west eighteen chains and seventy-four links; thence south seventy-five degrees east eighteen chains and foty-two links; thence north three degrees and thirty minutes east one chains and nineteen links; thence north seventy-three degrees and thirty minutes east by the northern line of Don McKenzie's land twenty one chains and twenty links; then thence north three degrees and thirty minutes east forty-one chains and twenty-five links or to Big Brook; thence westwardly by the brook to the north western line of Widow McLeod's grant; thence south seventy-five degrees west(in 1861) by the said line four chains and fifty links to a spruce tree; thence south three degrees and thirty minutes west twelve chains to the place of beginning.

SCHEDULE "A" - 2

Abstract Parcel Numbered 24
Donald MacKenzie
conveyed by him by
deed dated May 17, 1889
Book O - p.369

3. ALL that lot of land and premises at Big Harbour aforesaid bounded as follows; namely by a line beginning at the southeast corner of lands graned to Ohoan Stewart by the Crown; thence north along the eastern side line of said granted land two hundred and sixty four feet; thence east two hundred and fifty six feet more or less to the waters of the Bras dor Lake; thence southerly along the shore line of said Bras dor Lake the several courses thereof to the place of beginning containing four acres more or less;
ALSO and appurtenant thereto a free right of way from said above described lands to the main highway to and for the Grantee tis successors and assigns and its and their agents servants and workmen and for all the Queen's subjects and whether going or coming on foot or with horses animals carts sleds and vehicles and whether loaded or uhloaded and also the buildings ways watercourses easements and commodities to the said conveyed lands belonging or in any wise appertaining to have and to hold the same and every part thereof and the said right of way unto and to the Grantee its successors and assigns for and during the term of nine hundred and ninety nine years from and after the date of these presents in a s full free and ample a manner as the same can be conveyed.

Abstract Parcel Numbered 25
John Ross
conveyed by him Aug.
5, 1899 - Book Q- p. 476.

4. ALL that lot piece or parcel of land situate lying and being on the southern side of the Main Post Road leading from Baddeck aforesaid to Big Harbour Ferry in said County of Victoria and more particularly described as follows;
BEGINNING at a stake placed on the southern side of said road at the junction of said road with the eastern side of lands granted one Angus McLeod; thence along the said eastern line of lands granted Angus McLeod aforesaid as indicated by the magnet in A.D. 1889, south two degrees west nine chains and ninety links to a

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silver birch thence north thirty five degrees and thirty minutes east thirteen chains to a spruce standing on the southern side of said road thence following the several courses of the said post road westwardly to the place of beginning, containing in all three acres and sixty-five one hundredths of an acre more or less.

Charles Hart lot
John Ross Grant Tax Deed
Nov. 17, 1927 to Charles
Hart, Book W.W. p.81.

5. ALL that certain parcel or tract of land in the municipality of Victoria described in the Office of the Registrar of Deeds at Baddeck in Registry Book "G", page 536, as situate at Plaster Harbour in the County of Victoria and Island of Cape Breton and described as follows;
BEGINNING at a marked birch tree standing on the north western angle of land granted to John Fraser near Plaster Harbour aforesaid; thence running north one degree east eighty five chains to a spruce tree; thence south eighty nine degrees east nineteen chains and fifty links toa spruce tree; thence south one degree west by the western line of land granted to Donald McKenzie twenty four chains to a spruce tree; thence eastwardly by the southern line of the said McKenzie's grant to the shore at the head of said Plaster Harbour; thence southerly and westerly by the said

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shore at high water mark to a stake bearing north one degree east from the north eastern angle of said John Fraser's grant; thence south one degree west thirty two chains; thence north eighty nine degrees west by the north line of the said Fraser's grant twenty chains and fifty links to the place of beginning, containing one hundred and eighty acres as will appear more fully by reference to Book 42, page 116, grant No. 9479 of the Record of Grants in the Crown Land Office at Halifax. This being the property assessed in the name of John Ross Estate and Evans in District No.3 East, of the County of Victoria, the same appearing to be the property of John Ross by grant No . 9479 above referred to, and of Thomas Evans by Deed dated June 18, 1873, and registered at Baddeck in Book "G" page 536;
AND ALSO all other lands, if any, owned by the Estate of the said Charles Hart situate, within the boundaries described in the deed dated May 18, 1891 from Mary Elizabeth McCurdy and her husband William F. McCurdy to the grantor herein registered in the office of the said Registrar of Deeds in record Book Q at page 216.

Book K.K. p.260
Registered Jan. 15, 1916
Hector J. Carmichael
of Munroe's point, St.,
Annes to Victoria Gypsum
Mining and Manufacturing Co.
Ltd.

LOT #1

6. ALL those parcels of land situate at or near St. Annes in the County of Victoria more particularly bounded and described as respectively as follows;
Beginning at a point on the western boundary line of lands owned and occupied by V.M. & Mfg. Co. Ltd. and being the the vicinity of the shipping pier of St. Anne's Harbour which point is distant one hundre sixty feet (160') N. 37° east from the point where said N.E. Boundary of said V.M. & Mfg. Co. lands intersects the N side of a small road; thence N. 43° 30' W 230' more or less to the eastern side of the school right of way so called; thence along said School right-of-way N 34° 45' E 325' more or less to the south boundary of said Gypsum Co. railway right of way; thence along said right of way A 47° E 233' more or less to a corner post then south-westerly along north west boundary of V.M. & Mfg. CO. land to place of commencement.

Lot #2

Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the southern

boundary of V.M. & Mfg. railway right of way with the western bound boundary of the Scheel right of way so called; thence along siad right of way S 24° 45' W 285.5'; thence N 43° 30' W 337 '; thence N 35° E 185 ' more or less to southern boundary of railway right of way; ;thence along southern boundary of right of way S 47° E 290' more or less to place of commencement.

Lot. #3.
BEGINNING at that point formed by the intersection of the northern boundary of V.M. & Mfg. Co. railway right of way with the southern boundary of the Scheel lot so called; thence along said southern boundary of said Scheel lot N 43° 30' W 333' more or less to the eastern side line of Scheel's right of way to the public highway; thence along said right of way S 24° 45' W 135' more or less or until said Scheel right of way intersects northern boundary of railway right of way; thence along said railway right of way south easterly and easterly following the curvature of same to place of commencement.

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Lot #4

BEGINNING at that point formed by the intersection of the western boundary of the Scheel right of way to the public highway with the southern boundary of the Scheel lot so called; thence along the said southern boundary of the Scheel lot N 43° 30' W 132(to the south-west corner of the Scheel lot; thence N 35° E along the western boundary of the scheel lot 100 feet to high water mark; thence westerly along high water mark 100'; thence S 35° W 180' more or less or to the northern boundary of the V.M. & Mfg. Co. railway right of way; thence along said right of way S 47° E 265' more or less to the western boundary of said Scheel right of way to the public highway; thence along said Scheel right of way No24° 45' E 140' more or less to place of bommencement.

(Said 4 lots being portions of a lot of land owned in his life-time by Angus K. Morrison and deeded to said Hector J. Carmichael by Sadie J. Morrison, guardian of the infant children of Angus K. Morrison by deed dated March 16, 1915 and recorded at Baddeck N.S. April 16, 1915 in Book JJ page 375.

7. Book E.E. p.6
Dated Aug. 6, 1908
Registered Sept. 16, 1908
John G. Parsons & Ethel G. Parsons to Vic. G.M. & M. Co. Ltd.

All that parcel of land situate at or near the rear of Munroe's Point St. Anne's aforesaid described as follows;
Bounded on north by lands of heirs of late John McAskill now in possession of Amos McAskill on the west and rear by lands of the Tripolite Co. on the south by lands formerly owned and occupied by the late Angus McAskill, and on the east by the highway road leading to the lands of the heirs of the late John McAskill aforesaid and containing 100 acres more or less and being the rear half of the 200 acre lot on which Angus K. Morrison now or lately resides.

(Being the same premises granted and conveyed to John G. Parsons and wife by Angus K. Morrison et ux by deed dated 14th Nov. 1903 and recorded Nov. 15, 1903 Book Y page 401 et seq.)

8. Book B.B. p.218
dated Oct. 27, 1905
registered Novl 1905
Angus McLennan and Lizzie McLennan to Vic. Gypsum M.&M. Co. Ltd.
ALL that certain piece or parcel of land situate at or near the rear of Goose Cove in said County described as follows;

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Beginning at the north-east angle of a lot of land granted by theCrown to O.W.K. McCurdy; ;thence S 27° 15' W 5 chains; thence west 9 chains 50 links along the northern boundary line of lands granted to said Angus McLennan and Lizzie McLennan; ;thence S 7° 30' E 4 chains; thence S 189 15' W 3 chains 75 links; thence S 6° 30' E 4 chains; thence S 20° 30' E 4 chains 32 links to the southern boundary line of lands of said Angus McLennan and Lizzie McLennan; ;thence east by said boundary line 5 chains and 40 links to a stake; thence N 17° E 7 chains and 60 links to a large granite boulder rock; thence N 9° E to a fir tree 7 chains and 47 links; thence N 32° 30' E 5 chains and 70 links to place of beginning containing 10 acres more or less.

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9. Book B.B. p.91
Registered Aug. 14, 1905
Mary Carmichael et al
to Vic. C.M.& M. Co. Ltd.

ALL those lots of land at Munro's Point in said County forming part of Grant Lot #3 granted to one Donald Munro as follows; That strip of land and right of way for a railway across the said Carmichael lands from the southern boundary of lands, now in possession of one, the late Murdock MacKenzie (Senior) of Munro's Point and the northern boundary of land of Angus K. Morrison of Munro's Point and also a strip of land received for the diversion of the highway and which may be described as follows;Viz;

(a) BEGINNING at high water mark on the shore of St. Anne's Harbour at the division line between the said Carmichaels lands and lands of Angus K. Morrison; thence northerly along the said shore 850'; thence S 45° W to a point 25' from the ℄ of the railway surveyed for said company; thence north westerly parallel with said railway line 100' more or less to lands in possession of Murdock MacKenzie; thence westerly along said MacKenzie's land to point distant 25' westerly from the said ℄ and measured at right angles thereto; thence south easterly and parallel with the said railway line and 25' distant therefrom 1800' more or less to the aforesaid Angus K. Morrison's land; thence easterly along the said Morrison's land one hundred and fifty feet more or less to the Place of beginning.

(b) Also all that certain piece of land beginning at a point in the easterly side line of the main raod in the division between the said Carmichael lands and lands in possession of the aforesaid Murdock MacKenzie; thence easterly along the said division line 85' thence S 32° 30' E 190 ' to the main road aforesaid; thence northerly along the saidmaad to the place of beginning reserving to Vendors a crossing over the railway------(as appears in the deed to V.C.M.&.M. Co. Ltd.).

10. Book AA 468
dated March 24, 1905
registered May 1, 1905
Angus K. Morrison et ux &
Sadie to V.C.M.&.M. Co.
Ltd

All that piece or parcel of land situate at Munro's Point in the said the said County of Victoria, bounded and described as follows;
Beginning at a point in the fence line at present runnigg along the eastern side line of the main post road on the westerly side of St. Anne's Harbour, said point being distant 50' northerly from the division line between the said Angus K. Morrison and Heirs of the late Murdock Buchanan and measured at right angles thereto; thence S 85° 15' E parallel with the said division line 135'; thence N. 38° 15' E 425' to a point distant 25' southerly from the ℄/of the railway of said V.M. & Mfg. Co.....

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measured at right angles thereto; ;thence north wasterly parallel with said ℄ 860' to the division line between the lands of the said Angus K. Morrison and lands of the heirs of the late Hector Carmichael; thence north easterly along the last mentioned division line to a point on the north easterly side of said railway, said point being distant 35' from the ℄ of said railway measured at right angles thereto; thence south-easterly parallel with said ℄ 920' to a point in the prolongation of the south easterly lin side line of a lot of land conveyed by the said Angus K. Morrison to Henry M.Woolf; thence north easterly along the said south east side line and the said prolongation thereof110' to the shore of St Anne's Harbour; thence southery along highwater mark 800' to the aforesaid Morrison and Buchanan division line; thence N 85° 15' W along the last mentioned division line 900' to the said main post road; thence northerly along the aforesaid fence line to the place of beginning.

ALso the perpetual.....use of 2 springs or streams of water one near the post road... the other between the boundary of Morrison-Buchanan division and the Morrsion- Carmichael division line... and the privilege of laying pipes for water... recompensing for damages in laying pipes (as appears in the deed to Vic. Gyp. M.&M.Co. Ltd.)

11. Book A.A. 252
dated Nov. 11, 1904
Registered Nov. 16, 1904
Donald MacLean et al
to V.G.M.&.M. Co. Ltd.

All those certain pieces or parcels of land situate at or near Goose Cove in said County of Victoria more particularly bounded and described respectively as follows;

(a) Bounded by a line beginning at the northern boundary of lands in possession fo Murdock MacKenzie (Senior) at a point on the north western side of and 50' at right angles from the centre of a right of way for a railway as laid off and projected and as may be determined by the purchasers and which ℄ crosses the said northern boundary of said MacKenzie's lands at or near a ℄ stake marked 114 plus 79; thence northerly and westerly and parallel with and 50' at right angles from said ℄ of said right of way according to the courses of said center line till the northern boundary of said McKenzie lot is reached; thence east by said boundary and crossing said ℄ at or near a line stake marked 64 plus 00 and continuing to a point in said boundary on the southern side of and 50' at right angles from said ℄; thence northerly and easterly and paralld with and 50' at right angles from said ℄ according to the courses of said ℄ till said northern boundary is again reached; thence east by boundary and crossing said ℄ to place of beginning.

(b) Also all that other strip beginning on said same MacKenzie boundary line at a point on the north western side of said 50' at right angles from said ℄ (which said ℄ crosses said northern boundary line, at or near a centre stake marked 34 plus 00); thence northerly parallel with and 50' at right anlges from said ℄ and according to the courses thereof to the southern boundary of lands in possession of Angus McLennan; thence west by McLennan's southern boundary crossing said ℄ at or near a centre stake marked 7 plus 72 and continuing along said southern boundary to a point on the western side of said ℄ 50' at right angles from said ℄; thence southerly parallel with and according to the courses of said ℄ to the southern boundary aforesaid of MacKenzie's lands; thence east by said boundary and crossing said ℄ to place of beginning.

12. Book Y p.470
dated June 20, 1902
Registered Dec. 29, 1902
C.J.K. McCurdy to Vic.
G.M.&.M. Co. Ltd.

(a) All that certain piece or parcel of land at the rear of Goose Cove aforesaid granted by the Crown to C.J.K. McCurdy on December 1, 1898 recorded in Book D page 119 viz;

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that lot of land containing 50 acres bounded- beginning at a stake standing on the southern boundary of 190 acre lot granted John MacLean....at the distance of 15 chains 50 links on a course N 62° 40' W from the south angle of said McLean lot; thence running S 27° 15' W 5 chains; thence W 40 chains; thence north 27° 15' E 23 chains 50 links; ;thence S 62° 40' E 36 chains to the place of begiming

(b) All the gypsum, limestone and kindred materials in that parcel of land situate or near Goose Cove aforesaid described as follows;

Bounded on the north by lands in possession of widow Sara MacKenizie and Donald Matheson, on east by lands of Roderick Morrison of Goose Cove and Hector MacLean on south by lands of said Hector MacLean and of the widow Catherine MacLennan and family and on west by the mountains and vacant lands being the same lot..... granted by the Crown to the late John MacLean and containigg 210 acres more or less (said lands having been conveyed to C.W.K. McCirdy bu Kenneth MacDonald and Jessie MacDonald wife, Malcolm MacLean and Sara MacLean wife, by deed Nov. 5, 1896, recorded Book U page 262.)

(c) All the gypsum, limestone and kindred materials in that parcel of land situate at or near Goose Cove aforesaid, described as follows;

Bounded on the north by land granted by Crown to late John MacLean; on the east and south by lands in possession of Hector MavLean; on the west by Mountain and vacant lands containing 300 acres (being the lot in possession of Catherine MacLennan (widow) Lizzie MacLennan, Angus MacLennan and conveyed to C.W. K. McCurdy by deed of Nov. 10, 1896 recorded Book U Page 260)

13. Book S p. 91
Registered Oct. 1, 1893
Sheriffs Deed to
V.C.M.&.M. Co. Ltd.

All that parcel of land in North River in the said County of Victoria, being lands late of Roderick McLean described as follows;

Bounded on south east by lands of Roderick Morrison on north east lands granted late Murdock MacKenzie and in possession of widow and family late Alexander MacKenzie on north west by the mountains and wilderness and on south west by lands of widow and family of late Angus MacLennan and being the same lot of land granted by the crown to the late John MacLean and containing 190 acres more or less.

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Registered at 11.40 a.m. of the 16th day of December A.D.,1954, on the oath of A. Gordon Cooper.

B. MacKinnon
Registrar of Deeds.

THIS INDENTURE made this 13th day of December in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-four, BETWEEN: Victoria Gypsum Company Limited, a body corporate, duly organized and existing under the laws of the Province of Nova Scotia, with registered office at Little Harrows in the County of Victoria in said Province, hereinafter called "Victoria" OF THE FIRST PART: - and - Little Harrows Gypsum Company Limited, a body corporate, duly organized and existing under the laws of Canada, with head office and principal place of Business at Toronto, in the Province of Ontario, hereinafter called "Little Harrows" OF THE SECOND PART: WITNESSETH that Victoria, for and in consideration of the Sum of One Dollar ($1.00) of lawful money of Canada to Victoria in hand well and truly paid by Little Harrows at or before the ensealing and delivery of These Presents and of other good and valuable consideration, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath granted, bargained, sold, aliened, enfeoffed, released, remised, assigned, conveyed and confirmed and by these presents doth grant, bargain, sell, alien, enfeoff, release, remise, assign, convey and confirm unto Little Harrows, its successors and assigns, ALL AND SINGULAR the ubdermentioned Agreements and Conveyances and all the estate, right, title, benefit, advantage, property, claim and demand whatsoever of Victoria of, in, to or out of the same and the property comprised therein AND all and singular the estate, right, title, interest, property, claim and demand of Victoria of, in, and to the gupsum, plaster, plaster of paris, limestone and kindred materials contained upon, in or under the lots of land hereinafter particularly described AND all and singular the estate, right, title, interest, property, claim and demand of Victoria of, in and to the lots of land hereinafter particularly described: 1. (a) An Agreement made between Malcolm Matheson of Little Harrows, Victoria County, and H.B. McCurdy dated the 21st day of April,1926, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck, N.S. in Book 83 page 484; (b) A Conveyance from Dan N. McLean of Little Harrows in the County of Victoria, and Nina, his wife, to Harry B. McCurdy, dated the 11th day of October, A.D. 1948, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck in Book 1, Page 226, and all the Gypsum and kindred materials contained upon, in and under a certain lot of land, which said lot and the rights therein referred to are therein described as follows: "That certain lot, piece or parcel of land, situate at Little Harrows in the County of Victoria, being the Southern half of a 200 acre lot of land obtained from the Crown, under Grant 3424, B22, by Donald Matheson, containing 100 acres, more or less, and bounded as follows: ON THE NORTH by lands of Dan N. McLean; ON THE SOUTH, by lands of John E. Matheson; ON THE EAST, by lands granted to Mary Ross et al, Grant No.12378, B50; ON THE WEST, by waters of Ihycocomagh Basin; together with such surface rights as the GRANTEE may deem necessary for the development, quarrying, mining, storing, transporting, manufacturing, shipping, and for all other purposes in any wat incidental to the said materials and the GRANTEES interests in connection therewith. The said rights can be selected at time of purchase, or from time to time thereafter and can be used by the GRANTEE in connection with similar materials or other which may acquired from other sources from time to time by the GRANTEE. The purchase price includes shore frontage and water rights, which may be selected from time to time hereafter. CULTIVATED LANDS: In the event of any portion or portions of cultivated lands ever being required, they can be obtained by the GRANTEE from time to time hereafter at Agricultural values obtaining in the neighbourhood." 2. (a) An Agreement made between Margaret B. MacDonald of Boston, Massachusetts, and H.B. McCurdy, dated the 17th day of November, 1933, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck, N.S. in Book AAA, Page 66. (b) A Conveyance from Margaret B. MacDonald of San Jose, California, U.S.A., to Harry B. McCurdy, dated the 18th day of February, A.D. 1948, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck in Book III, Pages 31 and 32, and all the Gypsum and kindred materials upon, in and under a certain lot of land which said lot and the rights therein referred to are described in the said Conveyance as follows: "A lot of land containing 200 acres situate, lying and being in Little Harrows in the County of Victoria and bounded as follows: Beginning at a stake standing at High water mark on the shore at the north-western angle of lot No. 29 on the south side of St. Patricks Channel; thence running south 17 degrees East 97 chains and 50 links; thence north 35 degrees West 124 chains to high water mark on the shore aforesaid; thence easterly by high water mark on the said shore to the place of beginning; together with the right to enter upon the said lands to dig for, mine, quarry, remove and carry away the said gypsum and kindred materials, and also the right to the GRANTEE, his heirs, executors, administrators and saigns, from time to time to purchase sufficient of the said lands to enable

the GRANTEE, or his assigns, to erect such buildings, wharves and plant as may be necessary to mine, quarry and remove the said gypsum and kindred materials for the storing gypsum and the dumping of waste materials, at agricultural values prevailing in that neighborhood." 3 (a) An Agreement made between John D. McRitchie of Hazeldale, Victoria County, and H.B. McCurdy, dated the 20th day of January, 1932. (b) An Agreement made between John D. McRitchie of Hazeldale, Victoria County, and H.B.McCurdy, dated the 23nd day of January, 1932, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck in Book YY, Page 185. (c) A Conveyance from John D. McRitchie of Hazeldale in the County of Victoria to Guysborough Mines Limited, dated the 15th day of May, A.D. 1947, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck in Book HHH, Page 204, and all the gypsum, plaster and kindred material contained upon, in and beneath a certain lot of land, which said lot and the rights therein referred to are described in the said Conveyance as follows: "ALL that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate at Hazeldale in the County of Victoria and more particularly bounded and described as follows: ALL that lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being at Hazeldale, County of Victoria, Province of Nova Scotia, containing 200 acres, more or less, and more particularly bounded and described as follows: Bounded on the north by the waters of St. Patrick's Channel; bounded on the south by lands of Malcolm McLeod; bounded on the east by lands of Duncan McAskill and bounded on the west by lands of the late Hugh McAskill; being and intended to be the same lands and premises described in Deed from Margaret McRitchie and others to John D. McRitchie, dated May 29,1925, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds Office at Baddeck, N.S. in Book 83, page 385; together with the right to the Grantee its Lessees, Agents, Servants and Workmen and all other persons by its or their or any of their authority or permission at any time and from time to time, and with with or without horses, motor vehicles or other machinery to enter upon the said lands for the purpose of searching for, digging, working, quarrying, procuring and carrying away the said gypsum, plaster and kindred materials (excepting limestone), and also to sink, open and work any wells, pits, shafts, drifts or quarries within the limits of said lands, and to make such erections and buildings, and lay down any railroads, or other roads in, upon or over the said lands as may be necessary for the more convenient working and carrying away of the said gypsum, plaster and kindred materials (excepting lime stone), and also to appropriate and use any part of the surface of the said lands for depositing and heaping thereon the said gypsum and kindred materials, water, waste and other substances which may be taken out of or from the said lands, and to erect along the water front any wharves or jetties for shipping or landing equipment or supplies, and also to appropriate and use any surface of said lands for the erection of buildings or factories for processing the said gypsum, plaster and kindred materials (excepting limestone). 4 (a) A Deed made between Duncan McAskill and Dougal Matheson, of the one part, and H.B. McCurdy, of the other part, dated the 20th day of April, A.D. 1946, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck, N.S. in Book GGG, Page 151, and all the gypsum and kindred materials (excepting limestone) contained in and beneath a lot of land, which lot and the rights therein referred to are described in the said Deed as follows:"ALL that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate at Hazeldale in the County of Victoria, more particularly bounded and described as follows: Bounded northerly by the waters of St. Patricks Channel; Easterly by the lands of Angus M. McIvor; Southerly by the lands of Murdock A. McLeod; and Westerly by lands of John D. McRitchie, and containing 200 acres more or less, which said lands are owned by the said Grantors - the said Duncan D. McAskill the eastern half andthe said Dougal Matheson the western half; together with the right to the Grantee and his Lessees, Agents, Servants and workmen and all other persons by his or their or any of their authority or permission at any time and from time to time, and either with or without horses, motor vehicles or other machinery to enter upon the said lands for the purpose of searching for, digging, working, quarrying, procuring and carrying away the said gypsum and kindred materials (excepting limestone) and also to sink, open and work any wells, pits, shafts, drifts or quarries within the limits of said lands, and to make such erections and buildings, and lay down any railroads, or other roads in, upon or over the said lands as may be necessary for the more convenient working and carrying away the said gypsum and kindred materials (excepting limestone), and also to appropriate and use any part of the surface of the said lands for depositing and heaping thereon the said gypsum and kindred materials (excepting limestone), water, waste and other substances which may be taken out of or from the said lands, and to erect along the water front any wharves or jetties for the shipping or landing equipment or supplies, and also to appropriate and use any surface of said lands for the erection of buildings or factories for processing the said gypsum and kindred materials (other than limestone). 5 (a) An Agreement made between Angus M. McIvor and Mary McIvor, his wife,

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of the One Part and H.B. McCurdy, dated the 20th day of January, 1932. (b) An Agreement made between Angus H. McIvor et ux Mary, et al, and H.B. McCurdy, dated the 22nd day of January, 1932, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck in Book YY, Page 185. (c) A Conveyance from Wilbert MacIver and Annie MacIver, his wife, and Roseanna MacIver to Harry B. McCurdy, dated the 15th day of November, A.D. 1949, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck in Book 1, Pages 238 to 241, and all the gypsum, plaster and kindred materials, contained upon, in or under a lot of land which said lot and the rights thereby conveyed are described in the said Conveyance as follows: "ALL those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land situate at Hazeldale in the County of Victoria, and more particularly bounded and described as follows: ALL that lot of land and premises, situate at Hazeldale, Little Narrows, County of Victoria and Province of Nova Scotia, and being bounded as follows: BEGINNING at the north-western corner of the late John McAulay's lot of land; thence Westwardly ten (10) chains; thence Southwardly parallel with the Western line of the said John McAulay's lot to the rear one hundred and some chains, said lot of land to contain one hundred (100) acres more or less and bein the Eastern half of lot of land known as the Neil McIvor lot. ALSO ALL th lot of land and premises situate at Hazeldale, Little Narrows, County of Victoria and Province of Nova Scotia and being bounded as follows; and known as the Western half of the late Neil McIvor's lot, viz: BEGINNING a the North-eastern corner of the late Murdock J. McCaskill's lot; thence in a Southerly direction on and parallel to said Murdock J. McCaskill's Eastern line to the rear thereof one hundred and twenty-three (123) chain thence Easterly ten (10) chains; thence Northerly dividing the late Neil McIvor's lot into two equal shares, from front to rear, running parallel to the first mentioned line to the shore of St. Patrick's Channel; thence Westerly following the windings of the shore to place of beginning, said lot of land to contain one hundred (100) acres more or less; and being two lots together the lands owned and occupied by Angus McIvor and deeded to the Grantors herein by deeds dated the 10th day of April, A.D. 1940, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck in Book JJJ, Pages 171 and 173 respectively; together with the right to the Grantee, and his Lessees, Agents, Servants and workmen and all other persons by his or their or any of their authority or permission at any time and from time to time, and either with or without horses, motor vehicles or other machinery to enter upon the said lands for the purpose of searching for, digging, working, Quarrying, procuring and carrying awat the said gypsum, plaster and kindred materials, excepting limestone as a deposit, and also to sink, open and work any wells, pits, shafts, drifts or quarries within the limits of said lands, and to make such erections and buildings and lay down any railroads or other roads in, upon or over the said lands as may be necessary for the more convenient working and carrying away of the said gypsum, plaster and kindred materials, and also to appropriate and use any part of the surface of the said lands for depositing and heaping thereon the said gypsum and kindred materials, water, waste and other substances which may be taken out of or from the said lands, and to erect along the water front any wharves or jetties for shipping or landing equipment or supplies, and also to appropriate and use any surface of said lands for the erection of storage buildings. 6 (a) An Agreement made between Norman A. McIvor et al to Harry B. McCurdy, dated the 22nd day of January, 1932, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck in Book YY, Page 185. (b) A Deed from Norman A. McIvor of Hazeldale, Victoria County, Cape Breton, and H.B. McCurdy, dated the 13th day of April, A.D. 1946, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck, N.S. in Book GGG, Page 149, and all the gypsum and Kindred materials (excepting limestone) contained upon, in and under a certain lot of lan which said lot and the rights thereby conveyed are described in the said Deed as follows: "ALL that certain lot, piece or parcel of alnd situate at Hazeldale in the County of Victoria, more particularly bounded and describe as follows; On the North, by waters of St. Patrick's Channel; On the South, by lands of the late Jobathan Dorr; On the East by lands of John R. McKinnon On the West by lands of Angus N. McIvor; and containing 200 acres more or less; together with the right of the Grantee and his lessees, agents, servants and workmen and all other persons by his or their or any of their authority or permission at any time and from time to time, and either with or without horses, motor vehicles or other machinery to enter upon the said lands for the purpose of searching for, digging, working, quarrying, procuring away the said Gypsum and kindred materials (excepting limestone), and also to sink, open and work any wells, pits, shafts or quarries within the limits of said lands, and to make such erections and buildings, and lay down any railroads, or other roads, in, upon or over the said lands as may be necessary for more convenient working and carrying away of the said Gypsum and kindred materials (excepting limestone) andalso to appropriate and use any part of: the surface of the said lands for depositing and heaping thereon the said Gypsum and kindred materials (excepting limestone),

said lands, and to erect along the water front any wharves or jetties for shipping or landing equipment or supplies, and also to appropriate and use any surface of said lands for the erection of buildings or factories for processing the said Gypsum and kindred materials (other than limestone)."
7. (a) An Agreement between Annie Bell McLeod and H.B. McCurdy, dated the 19th day of April, 1926, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck in Book 93, Page 497. (b) A Deed from Angus John McLeod and Nina, his wife, to Harry B. McCurdy, dated the 31st day of July, 1950, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck. (c) A Deed from John R. McKinnon and Ada McKinnon, his wife, of the One Part, and H.B. McCurdy, of the Other Part, dated the 20th day of April, A.D. 1946, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds Baddeck, N.S. in Book GGG, Page 139. (d) A Deed from John R. McKinnon and Ada McKinnon, his wife, to Victoria dated the 10th day of September, A.D. 1954 and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck aforesaid. (e) A Deed from Angus John MacLeod and Nina MacLeod, his wife, to Victoria dated the 24th day of September, A.D. 1954 and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck aforesaid, and all the Gypsum and kindred materials (excepting limestone), contained upon, in and under a certain lot land, which said lot and the rights thereby conveyed are described in the said Deed as follows: "ALL that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate lying and being at Hazeldale, in the County of Victoria, Province of Nova Scotia, more particularly bounded and described as follows: Bounded on the north by the waters of St. Patrick's Channel; On the south by lands formerly of Jonathan Dorr; On the east by lands of Angus Martin; On the west by lands now or formerly of Norman A. McIver, containing 200 acres more or less, together with the right to the grantee and its lessees, agents, servants and workmen, and all other persons by its or their or any of their authority or permission at any time and from time to time, and either with or without horses, motor vehicles, or other machinery to enter upon the said lands for the purpose of searching for, digging, working, quarrying, procuring, or taking away the said gypsum and kindred materials (excepting limestone) and also to sink, open, and work any wells, shafts, pits, shafts, drifts or quarries within the limits of the said lands, and to make such erections and buildings and lay down any railroads or other roads in, upon or over the said lands as may be necessary for more convenient working and quarrying and carrying away the said gypsum and kindred materials (excepting limestone) and also to appropriate and use any part of the surface of the said lands for depositing and heaping thereon the said gypsum and kindred materials (excepting limestone), water, waste, and other substances which may be taken out of or from the said lands and to erect along the waterfront any wharves or jetties for shipping or landing equipment or supplies, and also to appropriate and use surface of the said lands for the erection of buildings or factories for processing the said gypsum and kindred materials (other then limestone)." 8. (a) An Agreement made between Flora Martin, Angus B. Morrison and Norman McLeod, of Hazeldale, Victoria County, of the One Part, and H.B. McCurdy, of the Other Part, dated the 23nd day of April, 1926, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck, N.S. in Book 93, Page 499. (b) A Conveyance from Angus Martin and Mary Martin Wright, heirs of the late Flora Martin, of Hazeladle in the County of Victoria, to H.B. McCurdy, dated the 24th day of January, 1950, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck in Book 1, Page 233 and 234, and all the Gypsum, Limestone and kindred materials upon, in and under a certain lot of land, which said lot and the rights thereby conveyed are described in the said Deed as follows: "ALL the Gypsum, Limestone and kindred materials, upon, in and under the "Grantors" lands, together with surface rights, as the "Grantee" may deem necessary for the development, quarrying, mining, storing, transporting, manufacturing, shipping and for all other purposes, in any way incidental to the said materials and the Grantees interests in connection therewith. The said rights can be selected from time to time hereafter and can be used by the Grantee in connection with similar materials or other acquired from other sources from time to time. Any portion or portions of the Grantors lands under cultivation, if ever required by the Grantee in connection with said Gypsum, Limestone and kindred materials can be purchased from the Grantors at agricultural values obtained in the neighbourhood, The said lands contain Two Hundred acres (200) more or less and are contained within the following boundaries; ON THE EAST, by lands granted to John Morrison, Grant No. 15919; B 59 ON THE WEST by lands of Angus McLeod; ON THE SOUTH by lands granted Jonathan Dorr, Grant No. 13733, B54; ON THE NORTH, by waters of St. Patrick's Channel."
9. (a) A Conveyance from Malcolm Morrison, Catherine Matheson and John Matheson, all of Bucklaw in the County of Victoria, and Mary A. Morrison of Concord, Massachusetts, to Harry B. McCurdy, dated the 11th day of October, A.D. 1919, and recored in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck in Book 1, Pages 224 and 225, and all the Gypsum and kindred materials contained upon, in and under a certain lot of land which said lot and the rights thereby conveyed are described in the said conveyance as follows: "ALL that certain lot, piece or parcel of land, situate at Hazeldale, in the County and Province

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aforesaidand containing 160 acres more or less, and bounded as follows: ON THE NORTH by the waters of St. Patrick's Channel; ON THE SOUTH by lands granted to Jonathan Dorr, Grant No. 15788, B54, and John McRitchie, Grant No.13814, B54; ON THE EAST by lands granted to Chas. J. Campbell, Grant No. 14743, B56; ON THE WEST by Angus McIver; together with such surface rights as the Grantee may deem necessary for the development, quarrying, mining, storing, transporting, manufacturing, shipping and all other purposes and in any way incidental to the said materials and the Grantee's interests therewith. The said rights can be selected from time to time hereafter and be used by the Grantee in connection with similar materials or other which may be acquired from other sources by the Grantee, together with shore frontage and water rights, which can be selected from time to time hereafter CULTIVATED LANDS: In the event of any portion or portions of cultivated lands ever being required, they can be obtained by the Grantee from time to time hereafter at Agricultural values obtaining in the Neighbourhood." 10. (a) A Conveyance from Mary C. Francis to Harry B. McCurdy, dated the 11th day of October, A.D. 1948, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck in Book 1, Pages 223 and 224, and all the Gypsum and kindred materials contained upon, in and under a certain lot of land, which said lot and the rights thereby conveyed are described in the said Conveyance as follows: "ALL that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate at Hazeldale, in the County and Province aforesaid and containing 146 acres more or less, and bounded as follows: ON THE NORTH by waters of St. Patrick's Channel; ON THE SOUTH, by lands of Johannah Jones; ON THE EAST, by lands granted to John Smith, Grant No. 13049, B52; ON THE WEST, by lands of Angus McRitchie, now in possession of Ivor McIvor; together with such surface rights as the Grantee may deem necessary for the developemnt, quarrying, mining, storing, transporting, manufacturing, shipping and all other purposes and in any way incidental to the said materials and the Grantee's interests therewith. The said rights can be selected from time to time hereafter and can be used by the Grantee in connection with similar materials or other which may be acquired from other sources by the Grantee, together with shore frontage and water rights which can be selected from time to time hereafter. CULTIVATED LANDS: In the event of any portion or portions of cultivated lands ever being required, they can be obtained by the Grantee from time to time hereafter at Agricultural values obtaining in the neighbourhood." 11. (a) A deed from Murdock McInnis of Washabuck Bridge, Victoria County, to H.B. McCurdy, dated the 12th day of December, 1946, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck, N.S. in Book HHH, Page 31. (b) A Conveyance from Murdock McInnis to Harry B. McCurdy, dated the 3rd day of August, A.D. 1948, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck in Book III, Page 308. (c) A Conveyance from Murdock McInnis to Victoria, dated the 14th day of October, 1954 and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck aforesaid, and all the gypsum and limestone upon, in and under a certain lot of land, which said lot and the rights thereby conveyed are described in the said Conveyance as follows: "ALL that certain lot piece or parcel of land situate lying and being at Washabuck Inlet in the County of Victoria, Province of Nova Scotia and described as follows: BEGINNING at a point on the northern boundary of a road on the north side of Washabuck River and on the eastern boundary of a road going north from said river; Thence running north along the eastern boundary of said road to the southern corner of the eastern boundary line of lands owned by widow Catherine McDonald; Thence north along said boundary line of lands of said Widow McDonald to the southern boundary of the said road; Thence following said boundary line of lands of said Widow McDonald to the southern boundary line of lands owned by Angus McDonald; Thence east along said boundary line to the western boundary line of lands owned by Kenneth McRitchie; Thence south along said boundary line to the northern boundary of Washabuck Road; Thence along said road to the place of beginning, containing 190 acres more or less, being and intended to be the same lot of land conveyed to John McInnis on 12th day of April, 1899 by Kenneth McRitchie and Catherine McRitchie his wife, together with the right to enter upon the said lands to explore, dig; and prospect for gypsum and limestone, and to mine, quarry, remove and carry away the said gypsum and limestone, and also the right to the said Grantee its successors and assigns from time to time and at all times to purchase sufficient of the said lands to enable the said Grantee its successors and assigns to erect such buildings, plant and wharves as may be necessary to mine, quarry and remove the said gypsum and limestone, and for the storing of gypsum and limestone, and the dumping of waste materials, at agricultural prices prevailing in the neighbourhood. 12. (a) A Deed from William A. Spears and Emma, his wife, of Whitney Pier, Cape Breton, of the One Part, and H.B. McCurdy of the Other Part, dated the 8th day of July, 1936 and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck, N.S. in Book AAA, Page 67. (b) A Deed from Harry B. McCurdy et ux Katherine F. to Murdock A. McLeod, dated the 30th day of June, 1937, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck in Book AAA, Page 442: "ALL that lot of land described in the office of the REGISTRAR OF DEEDS at Baddeck, Nova Scotia, in Book 33, page 157 - in a Deed from

Neil McLeod dated January ninth, 1905, registered in said Registry Book on September 22, 1905, as All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land situate, lying and being at Jubilee in District No. 14 South side Little Narrows, in the County of Victoria, Province of Nova Scotia, abutted and bounded as follows: Beginning at the point in the rear line of a lot of land granted to one Anne Matheson, thence North fifty nine degrees East one chain and eighty two links to a corner post, thence North ten degrees West twenty three chains and sixty links to a large birch tree, thence North eighty three degrees East four chains and fifty four links to a corner stake, thence North eighteen degrees West Twenty five chains more or less along the Eastern boundary line of a lot of land owned and occupied by one Malcolm McLeod until it comes to the point of the intersection of said line with the northern boundary line of lands occupied by one McRitchie; thence along the said McRitchie line North eighty three degrees East twenty one chains more or less to the boundary line of lands granted to M.McAskill, thence along said line South eighteen degrees East fourteen chains more or less to a point which is dustant sevenchains and eighty eight links from the South West corner of the said Murdock McAskill lot, thence South fifteen degrees West twenty five chains and forty five links to a corner stake near the North West corner of New orchard, thence South thirty four degrees East twenty one chains more or less to the front line of the Morrison farm, thence along the said line Westerly fifteen chains more or less to the Eastern line of the McKenzie lot, thence along the said McKenzie line North thirty one degrees West sixteen chains and fifty links more or less to the place of beginning, containing one hundred and four acres more or less . ALSO the lot on the Eastern side of the said McLeod farm and abutted and bounded as follows: Beginning at a point on the Southern line of the aforesaid Murdock McAskill lot, said point being at the distance of three hundred and thirty five feet from the Southeast corner of the said McAskill lot, thence South thirteen degrees West thirty chains more or less to the North bank of the Washabuck brook, thence along the windings of the said brook Easterly five chains and fifty three links to a corner, thence South thirteen degrees West nine chains and seventy links more or less to a corner, thenec Eastwardly and along the boundary line of the Mary McKenzie lot to the Western line of the Jonathan Dorr lot, thence along said Dorr line thirty chains more or less to the South corner of the aforesaid Murdock McAskill lot, thence South eighty three degrees West five chains ans seven links to the place of beginning, containing forty six acres more or less together with a free right of way, the right of way to be ten feet wide and to be free and without hindrance to the said Malcolm N. McLeod and his heirs and assigns forever. Neil McLeod the grantor above named having lived upon and possessed the above described lots of land more then sixty years previous to the said January the 9th, 1905. Reserving therefrom the gypsum, limstone and kindred materials and any portion or portions of the said lands that may be required in connection with the development of the said materials and in any way incidental to the Grantors interests therewith. (c)A Conveyance from Murdock A. McLeod et ux Mary to Harry B. McCurdy, dated the 2nd day of June, A.D. 1937, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck in Book AAA, Page 440, and all the gypsum, plaster of paris and hard plaster (so called) upon a certain lot of land, which said lot and the rights thereby conveyed are described in the said Deed as follows: "ALL the Gypsum, plaster of paris and hard plaster (so called) upon, in and under grantors lands at Jubilee, also the right to remove said materials and to carry on all activities in any way incidental to the grantees interests in connection with the development of the said resources. Bounded on the north by lands of the late Angus McRitchie and late Murdock McAskill; on the south by lands of late Mary McKenzie, late Chas Campbell and late Donald McKenzie; on the east by lands of the late Jonathan Dorr; on the west by lands of the late Ann Matheson and late Malcolm McLeod; Excepting approximately half of the said lands which were deeded from Neil McLeod to Malcolm N. McLeod on Jan. 9, 1905, and recorded at the office of the Registrar of Deeds at Baddeck in Book BB - 157." (d) A Deed from Harry B. McCurdy and Katherine F. McCurdy, his wife, to Victoria dated the 17th day of November, A.D. 1954 and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck aforesaid. 15. (a) A Deed from Victoria Gypsum Lining and Manufacturing Company Limited to Harry B. McCurdy, dated the 23rd day of October, A.D. 1948, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck, N.S. in Book GGG, Page 483; and all the gypsum and kindred materials contained in and beneath a certain lot of land, which said lot and the rights thereby conveyed are described in the said Deed as Follows: "ALL that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate at the rear of Little Narrows, in the County of Victoria, more particularly bounded and described as follows: BOUNDED on the north by rear of front lands facing St. Patricks Channel; easterly by lands of the Grantee; southerly by the rear lots of Cain's Mountain; westerly by lands of the Grantee; and containing one hundred and fifty (150) acres more or less. TOGETHER with all rights of the Grantor held

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under lease of otherwise whether consisting of surface or other rights in connection with the winning and removal of said gypsum and kindred materials from said lands." (b) A Deed from Harry B. McCurdy and Katherine F. McCurdy, his wife, to Victoria dated the 17th day of November, A.D. 1954 and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck aforesaid. 14. (a) An Agreement made between John Matheson of Little Narrows, Cape Breton, and H.B. McCurdy, dated the 21st day of April, 1926, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck, N.S. in Book 93, Page 487, (subject to the duration of a Lease now held by the Victoria Gypsum Company and which is recorded in the Books of the Registrar of Deeds at Baddeck for the County of Victoria.) (b) A Conveyance from John P. Matheso and his wife to Harry B. McCurdy, dated the 11th day of October, A.D. 1948, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck in Book 1, Pages 228 and 229, and all the Gypsum and kindred materials contained upon, in and under a certain lot of land, which said lot and the rights thereby conveyed are described in the said conveyance as follows: ALL that certain lot, piece o parcel of land, situate at Little Narrows aforesaid and containing 200 acr more or less and contained within the following boundaries: On the North by lands of D.B. and Margaret McKay, Grant No.'s 18570 and 10340 - B45; on the SOUTH by lands of John C. Matheson; on the EAST by lands granted to Mary Ross, Grant No. 12376 - B50; on the WEST by waters of St. Patrick's Channel together with such surface rights as the Grantee may deem necessary for the development, quarrying, mining, storing, transporting, manufacturing, shipping and all other purposes and in any way incidental to the said materials and the Grantee's interests therewith. The said rights can be selected from time to time thereafter and can be used by the Grantee in connection with similar materials or other which may be acquired from other sources by the Grantee, together with shore frontage and water rights which can be selected from time to time hereafter. "CULTIVATED LANDS: In the event of any cultivated lands ever being required they can be obtained by the Grantee from time to time hereafter at agricultural values obtaining in the district. This deed is subject to the duration of a 99 year lease obtained by the Victoria Gypsum Mining and Manufacturing Company Limited on or about the year 1889." 15 (a) An Agreement made between Duncan B. McKay of Little Narrows, Victoria County, and H.B. McCurdy, dated the 21st day of April, 1926, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck, N.S. in Book 93, Page 489, (subject to the duration of a Lease now held by the Victoria Gypsum Company and which is recorded in the Books of the Registrar of Deeds in Baddeck for the County of Victoria). (b) A Conveyance from Dan N. McLean and Nina, his wife, and John P. Matheson and Annie McKenzie Matheson, his wife, to Harry B. McCurdy, dated the 28th day of October, A.D. 1949, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck in Book 1, Pages 237 and 238, and all the Gypsum and kindred materials contained upon, in an under a certain lot of land, which said lot and the rights thereby conveyed are described in the said Conveyance as follows: "ALL that certain lot, piec or parcel of land, situate at Little Narrows, in the County of Victoria, comprising 200 two Hundred acres more or less, and bounded as follows: ON THE EAST by lands granted to Mary Ross, Grant No. 12376 - B50; ON THE South by lands of John P. Matheson; ON THE WEST by the waters of Whycocomagh Basin; ON THE NORTH by lands of Kenneth McLennan; together with such surface rights as the Grantee may deem necessary for the development, manufacturing, quarrying, mining, storing, transporting, shipping and for all other purposes in any way incidental to the said materials and the Grantees interests in connection therewith. The said rights can be selected from time to time hereafter and can be used by the Grantee in connection with similar materials or other, which may be acquired from other sources from time to time by the Grantee. The purchase price includes shore frontage and water rights, which can be selected from time to time hereafter. CULTIVATED LANDS: In the event of any portion or portions of cultivated lands ever being required, they can be obtained by the Grantee from time to time thereafter at Agricultural values obtaining in the neighbourhood. This deed is subject to the duration of a lease obtained by the Victoria Gypsum Mining and Manufacturing Company Limited on or about the year 1889. 16 (a) An Agreement made between Kenneth McLennan of Little Narrows, Victoria County, and H.B.McCurdy dated the .. day of .. 1926, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck, N.S. in Book 93, Page 491, (subject to the duration of a Lease now held by the Victoria Gypsum Company and which is recorded in the Books of the Registrar of Deeds at Baddeck for the County of Victoria.) (b) A Conveyance from Alex J. McLennan, Margaret M. McLennan, Katherine J. MacLennan and Mrs Catherine MacLennan to H.B. McCurdy, dated the 23nd day of June, A.D. 1950, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck in Book 1, pages 234 to 236, and all the Gypsum, Plaster of Paris and limestone, upon, in and under the said Grantors lands, which said lands and the rights therein conferred are described in the said Deed as follows: "ALL the Gypsum, Plaster of Paris and Limestone, upon, in and under the Grantors lands, also Surface Rights, for the development, quarrting, mining, storing, transporting, manufacturing, shipping and for all other purposes in any way

incidental to the Grantee's interests in connection therewith. The said rights can be purchased by the Grantee from time to time hereafter, at a price based on agricultural values prevailing in the neighbourhood. The said materials and rights were sold to the Grantee by the said Kenneth McLennan on the 19th day of April, A.D. 1926, and the document of Conveyance was recorded in the Registry of Deeds Office in Baddeck, Nova Scotia, on the 15th day of June, 1926, in Book SS, Pages 491-493. (The sale of the said materials and Rights as per the said conveyance were Subject to the duration of a (99) Ninety Nine year Lease granted to the Victoria Gypsum Mining and Manufacturing Company Limited on or about the year 1839, the same being recorded in the Registry of Deeds Office, Baddeck, Nova Scotia.) The said lands contain (300) two hundred acres more or less and are contained within the following boundaries: Northerly, by lands granted by the Crown to John Ross, Grant No. 17434 - B64; Southerly, by lands granted by the Crown to Margaret McKay and D.B. McKay, Grant No. 10340 - B45; Eastwardly, by lands granted by the Crown to Mary Ross et al, Grant No. 12376 - B50; Westerly by the waters of Whycocomagh Bay." 17.(a) An Agreement made between Thomas J. Ross and Alexander J. Ross, of Little Narrows, Victoria County, of the One Part, and H.B. McCurdy, of the Other Part, dated April 20,1936, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck, N.S. in Book SS, Page 493, (subject to the duration of a Lease now held by the Victoria Gypsum Company and which is recorded in the Books of the Registrar of Deeds in Baddeck for the County of Victoria.) (b) A Conveyance from Thomas J. Ross, and Thomas J. Ross, Executor and Trustee of Alexander William Ross, deceased, to Harry B. McCurdy, dated the 3rd day of August, A.D. 1948 and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck in Book III, Page 310. (c) A Deed from Katherine Ross to Victoria dated the 8th day of November, A.D. 1954 and recorded at the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck aforesaid, and all the Gypsum, plaster of paris and limestone upon, in and under a certain lot of land, which said lot and the rights thereby conveyed are described in the said Conveyance as follows: "ALL that lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being at Little Narrows, County of Victoria, Province of Nova Scotia, containing 300 acres more or less and more particularly bounded and described as follows: BEGINNING at the western angle of 300 acres granted to Duncan Ferguson on the Southern shore of Little Narrows; Thence running South 54 degrees 25 minutes East 125 chains; Thence South 74 degrees 45 minutes West 16 chains and 30 links; Thence North 57 degrees West 117 chains to the shore of Little Narrows; Thence Northeasterly by said shore at high water mark to place of beginning; Being and Intended to be the same lands and premises described in a Grant from the Crown to John Ross dated the 9th of September, 1893 and recorded in the Registry of Deeds Office at Baddeck, Nova Scotia, on August 7th, 1895, in Book D, Page 105; together with the right to enter upon the said lands to explore, dig and prospect for gypsum, plaster of paris, and limestone, and also the right to the Grantee, its successors and assigns, from time to time to purchase sufficient of the said lands to enable the Grantee or its assigns to erect such buildings, wharves and plant as may be necessary to mine, quarry, and remove the said gypsum, plaster of paris, and limestone, and for the storing of gypsum and the dumping of waste materials at agricultural values prevailing in that neighbourhood." "Subject however to a Lease to the Victoria Gypsum Company recorded in the Books of the Registrar of Deeds at Baddeck in the County of Victoria." 18. (a) An Agreement made between Malcolm J. McLeod and Christine McLeod, his wife, of The One Part, and H.B. McCurdy, of the Other Part, dated the 17th day of April, 1936, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck, N.S. in Book TT, Page 14. (b) A Lease made between Malcolm J. McLeod of the One Part and H.B. McCurdy of the Other Part, dated the 25th day of May, 1926, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck in Book TT, Page 15. (c) A Conveyance from Kenneth D. Matheson of Jubilee, in the County of Victoria, and Mary D. Matheson, his wife, to Harry B. McCurdy, dated the 11th day of October, A.D. 1948, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck in Book 1, Pages 229 and 230, and all the gypsum and kindred materials contained upon, in and under a certain lot of land, which said lot and the rights thereby conveyed are described in the said Conveyance as follows: ALL that certain lot, piece or parcel of land, situate at Jubilee, in the County of Victoria, being the same lot of land granted to Malcolm McLeod, Grant No. 10718, B46, containing 103 acres, more or less, and bounded as follows: ON THE SOUTH by lands granted to Ann Matheson, Grant No. 17280; ON THE NORTH by lands of Hugh and Jessie McAskill; ON THE EAST, by Crown Lands; ON THE WEST, by lands granted to M.J. McLeod, Grant No. 20321, B75; together with such surface rights as the Grantee may deem necessary for the development, quarrying, mining, storing, transporting, manufacturing, shipping and for all other purposes in any way incidental to the said materials and the Grantees interests in connection therewith. the said rights can be selected from time to time hereafter and can be used by the Grantee in connection with similar materials or other which may be acquired from other sources from time to time by the Grantee.

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CULTIVATED LANDS: In the event of any portion or portions of cultivated lands ever being required, they can be obtained by the Grantee from time to time hereafter at Agricultural values obtaining in the neighbourhood. This deed is subject to the duration of a lease obtained by the Victoria Gypsum Mining and Manufacturing Company Limited on or about the year 1889. 19. (a) An Agreement made between Malcolm J. McAulay of Hazeldale, Victoria County, and H.B. McCurdy, dated April 19, 1926, and recorded in Book TT, Page 10 in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck, N.S. (Subject to the duration of a Lease now held by the Victoria Gypsum Company and which is recorded in the Books of the Registrar of Deeds at Baddeck for the County of Victoria (b) A Conveyance from Malcolm J. McAulay and Rachel McAulay, his wife, to Harry B. McCurdy, dated the 11th dat of October, A.D. 1948, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck in Book 1, Pages 230 and 231, and all the Gypsum and kindred materials contained upon, in and under a certain lot of land, which said lot and the rights thereby conveyed are described in the said conveyance as follows: "ALL that certain lot, piece or parcel of land, situate at Hazeldale, in the County and Province aforesaid and containing 200 acres more or less, and bounded as follows: ON THE NORTH, by waters of St. Patrick's Channel; ON THE SOUTH by the Mashabuck River; ON THE EAST by lands of John D. McRitchie (Merchant) of Little Narrows; ON THE WEST, lands of Mary G. Francis; together with such surface rights as the Grantee may deem necessary for the development, quarrying, mining, storing, transporting, manufacturing, shipping and all other purposes and in any way incidental to the said materials and the Grantee's interests therewith. The said rights can be selected from time to time hereafter and can be used by the Grantee in connection with similar materials or other which may be acquired from other sources by the Grantee, together with shore frontage and water rights which can be selected from time to time hereafter. CULTIVATED LANDS: In the event of any cultivated lands ever being required by the Grantee they can be acquired from the Grantor from time to time at Agricultural values obtaining in the district. This deed is subject to the duration of a 99 year lease obtained by the Victoria Mining and Manufacturing Company Limited on or about the year 1889." 20. (a) An Agreement made between Norman McRitchie of Hazeldale, Victoria County, and H.B. McCurdy, dated the 19th day of April, 1926, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck, N.S. in Book TT, Page 12. (b) A Conveyance from John Dan McRitchie of Little Narrows, in the County of Victoria, and his wife Margaret, to Harry B. McCurdy, dated the 13th day of October, A.D. 1948, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds at Baddeck in Book 1, Pages 232 and 233, and all the Gypsum and kindred materials contained upon, in and under a certain lot of land, which said lot and the rights thereby conveyed are described in the said Conveyance as follows: "ALL that certain lot, piece or parcel of land, situate at Hazeldale, in the County of Victoria aforesaid and containing 100 acres more or less and contained within the following boundaries: ON THE NORTH, by waters of St. Patrick's Channel; ON THE SOUTH, by lands of one Johanna Jones; ON THE EAST, by lands granted to William Kidston, Grant No. 9709 - B43, and by lands granted to Donald Morrison, Grant No. 8832 - B42; ON THE WEST, by lands granted to John Smith, Grant No. 10349 - B52; Together with such surface rights as the Grantee may deem necessary for the development, quarrying, mining, storing, transporting, manufacturing, shipping and for all other purposes and in any way incidental to the said materials and the Grantees interests therewith. The said rights can be selected from time thereafter and can be used by the Grantee in connection with similar materials or other which may be acquired from other sources by the Grantee, together with shore frontage and water rights which can be selected from time to time hereafter. CULTIVATED LANDS: In the event of any portion or portions of cultivated lands ever being required, they can be obtained by the Grantee from time to time hereafter at Agricultural values obtaining in the neighbourhood" By Deed or Conveyance dated the 24th day of November, 1950 and recorded in the said Registry of Deeds in Book 2, pages 1.- 18 both inclusive, Harry B. McCurdy, Katherine F. McCurdy, his wife, and Guysborough Mines Limited conveyed to Victoria all their right, title, interest and demand of, in, to and under the Agreements and Conveyances hereinbefore more particularly referred to and described and in to the Gypsum and such of the other of the said materials as are mentioned in the respective Agreements or Conveyances and are contained upon, in and under the said lots. 21. A Conveyance from Iver MacIver and Elizabeth MacIver, his wife, to Victoria, adted the 28th day of February, 1953, and recorded in the said Registry in Book 4, at pages 9 and 10, of all the Gypsum and kindred materials contained in or beneath the two lots of lands at South Side, Little Narrows aforesaid, which lots and the rights thereby conferred are described in the said conveyance as follows: "BEGINNING on the South shore of St. Patrick's Channel at the northeast angle of 100 acres granted to Angus MacRitchie; thence running south 15 degrees 30 minutes east 100 chains; thence south 89 degrees east 5 chains and 50 links; thence south 15 degrees 45 minutes east 27 chains; thence north 59 degrees east

APPENDIX 2

Listing of land transactions in the gypsum industry

- obtained from the Indexes to the Registries of Deeds for the various counties
- Deeds earlier than 1910 can be found at the Public Archives. After 1910, they can be viewed at the Registries of the various counties

a. HANTS COUNTY

Grantee	Grantor	Book	Page	Year	Nature
Wentworth Gypsum Co.	J. B. King	80	342-349	1892	Gypsum leases (forever)
"	E. Dimock	81	14	1892	"
"	"	82	780	1892	"
Windor Gypsum Co.	1 property	82	467	1893	Gypsum lease (15 years)
"	Effie Mosher	82	473	1893	"
"	9 properties			1893-97	Deeds
Newport Plaster Co.	15 properties			1907-08	Deeds
Nova Scotia Gypsum Co.	6 properties	101	4876	1906	Gypsum leases
Windsor Plaster Co.	3 properties	99	727	1907	leases (15 years)
"	1 property	108	413	1910	lease (forever)
"	15 properties			1906-08	Deeds
N.Y. and N.S. Gypsum Co.	Rock Plaster Corp	130	525	1920	Assignment of gypsum lease (10 years)
Newport Plaster Co.	10 properties	111	126-136	1912	Deeds
Rock Plaster Corp.	George Churchill Estates, Ltd.	111	558	1912	gypsum lease (5 years)
"	"	120	495	1916	(20 years)
"	"	124	322	1917	(10 years)
"	"	130	523	1920	(10 years)
Wentworth Gypsum Co.	8 properties			1912-20	Deeds

Grantee	Grantor	Book	Page	Year	Nature
Windsor Plaster Co.	1 property	113	18	1913	Gypsum lease (20 years)
"	8 properties			1912-20	Deeds
Atlantic Gypsum Prod.	Rock Plaster Corp	141	197-199	1926	Assignment of lease (10 years)
"	Churchill Ltd.	145	556	1928	Gypsum lease (15 years)
Canadian Gypsum Co.	Wentworth Gypsum Co.	145	252	1927	Deed of Sale
"	Newport Plaster Co.	144	107-137	1927	Deed of Sale
"	30 properties			1926	Deeds
New England Gypsum Co.	3 properties	139	642	1925	Options (6 months)
"	12 properties			1926	Deeds
Rock Plaster Corp.	N.Y. and N.S. Gypsum Co.	141	188-195	1926	Assignment of lease (10 years)
Wentworth Gypsum Co.	15 properties			1923-26	Deeds
Windsor Plaster Co.	5 properties	147	284	1929	Gypsum lease (1 year)
National Gypsum Co.	Atlantic Gypsum Products	157	245		Assignment of Churchill leases (10 years)
Canadian Gypsum Co.	Churchill Ltd.	156	1		Mortgage
Atlantic Gypsum Prod.	Churchill Ltd.	156	500		Gypsum lease (5 years)
National Gypsum Co.	Universal Gypsum, Lime	157	22-26		Deed
Ashley Colter	Churchill Ltd.	145	347	1927	Sold land, withheld gypsum
National Gypsum Co.	Churchill Ltd.	163	279	1940	Gypsum Lease (1 year)
"	"	164	425	1941	"
"	"	166	178,611	1943	"
"	"	167	343	1944	"

Grantee	Grantor	Book	Page	Year	Nature
National Gypsum Co.	Churchill Ltd.	169	192	1945	"
"	"	175	200	1946	"
"	"	178	385	1947	"
"	"	180	578	1948	"
"	"	187	70	1949	"
"	"	222	639	1960	"
"	"	231	57	1961	"
"	"	244	1	1964	"
"	"	196	229	1952	"
"	"	210	2	1955	"
"	"	219	16,24	1958	"
"	"	205	365	1955	"
"	"	187	691	1950	"
Connecticut Ad. Plaster Co.	3 properties	141	575-6, 758	1926	R. of W.
"	8 properties			1925-28	Deeds
"	2 properties	165	816	1944	Deeds
"	Bestwall	213	264,635-6	1957	Deed
2 properties	Connecticut Ad. Plaster Co.	167	564	1945	Sold property but kept gypsum rights
"	"	184	548	1949	"
Canadian Gypsum Co.	15 properties			1950-54	Deeds
"	40 properties			1956	Deeds
"	1 property	217	167	1958	Option
National Gypsum Co.	H. B. McCurdy	191	269	1951	Option (3 years)
"	"	203	225,334, 530-536	1954	Exercised option
"	Connecticut Ad. Plaster Co.	213	641-661	1957	Assignment of leases (forever)
Bestwall	National Gypsum Co.	213	221	1957	Mortgage
"	Ben King	213	637	1957	Option
Domtar	Gypsum, Lime and Alabastine	219	255-69	1959	Agreement of Sale
Gypsum, Lime Alabastine	Windsor Plaster	215	1,19-23	1956	Assignment of leases (forever)
"	"	213	29,79	1956	Agreement of Sale
"	1 property	226	498	1961	Release
National Gypsum Co.	Bestwall	231	340	1961	Deed

Grantee	Grantor	Book	Page	Year	Nature
Domtar	1 property	226	132	1960	Option
"	Gypsum, Lime and Albastine	225	342-50	1960	Released 2 leases
"	"	226	372,498	1961	Option
Fundy Gypsum Co.	25 properties			1961-64	Deeds

b. HALIFAX COUNTY

Grantee	Grantor	Book	Page	Year	Nature
National Gypsum Co.	H. B. McCurdy	1108	528	1951	Option to buy gypsum rights
"	"	1081	634	1951	"
H. B. McCurdy	10 properties	1228	343-350	1953	Deed of gypsum rights
"	30 properties	1233	177-355	1953	"
National Gypsum	H.B. McCurdy	1249	440	1954	Deed of gypsum rights
"	5 properties	1219	693	1953	Option
"	5 properties	1224	41-48	1953	Option
	5 properties	1226	206-210, 318	1953	Deeds
	5 properties	1305	390-94	1956	Deeds
	5 properties			1958	Deeds
	The Queen	1261	479	1954	Lease

c. CUMBERLAND COUNTY

Grantee	Grantor	Book	Page	Year	Nature
Cumberland Plaster Co.	1 property	112	58	1913	Deed
Rock Plaster Corp	Maritime Gypsum	112	155	1913	Partial release
Maritime Gypsum Co.	Rock Plaster Corp.	108	447	1912	Trust Deed
The Queen	Canadian Gypsum Co.	218	342	1957	Q.C.D.
Fundy Gypsum	Canadian Gypsum Co.	228	360	1961	Deed
Domtar	Gypsum, Lime Alabastine	222	364	1959	Deed
"	4 properties	211	122-275		Q.C.D.

d. ANTIGONISH COUNTY

Grantee	Grantor	Book	Page	Year	Nature
Nova Scotia Gypsum Co.	Canada Cement	8	627-630	1928	Deeds and lease
National Gypsum Co.	3 properties	91	64,556	1948-49	Option (20 years)
H. B. McCurdy	7 properties	82	672,675	1932	Option to buy gypsum rights
"	10 properties	95	246,336, 477	1954	"
"	3 properties	96	178,285, 302	1955	"
"	8 properties	94	160,182	1952	"
"	49 properties	99	216-478	1961	Exercised option
Little Narrows Gypsum Co.	H. B. McCurdy	99	453-456	1961	Gypsum rights
"	"	100	47-49	1961	"
"	5 properties	99	448-457	1961	"
"	2 properties	108	32	1969	Deeds
"	3 properties	113	285	1971	Deeds
2 properties	Little Narrows	105	524	1968	Q.C.D.
2 properties	"	109	9	1969	"
2 properties	"	108	27	1969	"
1 property	"	110	348	1970	"
1 property	"	113	282	1971	"
2 properties	"	116	727	1972	"
1 property	"	124	63	1973	"
1 property	"	129	446	1974	Deed & Plan
1 property	"	127	538	1974	"
1 property	"	133	597	1975	"
1 property	"	145	332	1976	"
1 property	"	138	688	1976	"
1 property	"	151	73	1977	"
2 properties	"	161	231	1979	Deeds
2 properties	"	154	10	1978	Q.C.D.
1 property	"	176	5	1981	Deed
Little Narrows	2 properties	133	830	1975	Easement

e. RICHMOND COUNTY

Grantee	Grantor	Book	Page	Year	Nature
Higginson Manufacturing	Gypsum Lennox Co.	J.1	332	1910	Deed
Higginson Holding Co.	1 property	C.2	322	1939	Deed

f. INVERNESS COUNTY

Grantee	Grantor	Book	Page	Year	Nature
Great Northern Mining & Railway	14 properties	20	793-796	1908	Deeds
"	5 properties	21	33-43	1908	Gypsum leases (5 years)
"	8 properties	21	149-156	1908	"
"	15 properties	21	313-315, 207-285	1908	"
"	2 properties	22	328,728	1910	"
"	10 properties	25	179-181, 258,284-286 346,370, 383,391-408 424,461,466, 483-485	1913	"
"	2 properties	24	669,773	1912	"
"	3 properties	25	780,28 393	1914	"
"	1 property	26	57	1914	"
"	2 properties	27	356,75	1915-16	"
Gypsum Manufacturing	Nova Scotia Gypsum Co.	20	204	1908	Transfer leases (50 years)
N.S. Cement and Plaster	1 property	20	494	1908	Deed
N.S.Coal and Gypsum Co.	Mabou Gypsum	19	580	1907	Transfer leases (forever)
Atlantic Gypsum Product	18 properties	36	617,448, 627,372,706 445,560	1928	Leases (until 1933)
"	4 properties	37	164-169	1929	Deeds
	P.M. O'Neil	36	351,556 679,552,613 647,351	1928	Leases (until 1933)

Grantee	Grantor	Book	Page	Year	Nature
International Gypsum Co.	80 properties	32	470-700	1923	Leases (5 years)
N.S. Coal and Gypsum Co.	13 properties	34	191-195 199-224	1924	Leases (99 years)
Atlantic Gypsum Products	National Gypsum Co.	43	378-407	1936	Mortgage
National Gypsum Co.	Atlantic Gypsum Products	43	394,442	1936	Deed & lease assignment
"	"	43	525,633, 689	1936	"
"	"	44	142,286 305	1937	"
H. B. McCurdy	7 individuals	35	380,40, 459	1925	Options
	1 individual	39	172	1933	Options
	3 individuals	37	594	1929	Options
	6 individuals	67	125,240, 662	1960	Options
	5 individuals	63	38,226, 306	1956	Options
	30 individuals	67	39	1959	Deeds
Allied Chemicals	H. B. McCurdy	67	231	1960	Deeds and Leases
Alba Gypsum Co.	Allied Chemicals	?	?	1963	Deed and Leases
Bestwall	100 properties	66	257-669	1959	Deeds
Domtar	N.S. Coal & Gypsum	67	333	1960	Deed

g. VICTORIA COUNTY

Grantee	Grantor	Book	Page	Year	Nature
Mary McCurdy	16 properties	O	404-452	1889	gypsum leases (999 years)
"	32 properties	O	311-334, 353-380	1889	"
"	7 properties	P	260-263	1890	"
"	5 properties	W	10	1899	"
William McCurdy	8 properties	K	232-234	1882	"

Grantee	Grantor	Book	Page	Year	Nature
William McCurdy	7 properties	K	180,119, 130-134	1882	"
Alexander G. Bell	William McCurdy	O	22	1888	gypsum lease (forever)
"	K. J. McKay	O	22	1888	"
Victoria Gypsum Mining & Man. Co.	Mabel G. Bell	Q	437	1892	Assignment of Mortgage
"	Alex G. Bell	Q	437	1892	"
"	Mary McCurdy	Q	216	1891	Assignment of leases
"	William McCurdy	Q	216	1891	"
"	30 properties	BB	92	1902-05	Q.C.D.
Newark Plaster	3 properties	JJ	299,18	1914-15	Deeds of Plaster (forever)
"	8 properties	EE	339-343	1909	"
"	4 properties	EE	298-302	1909	"
	4 properties	CC	348	1907	"
	80 properties			1908-27	Deeds & Q.C.D.
C. W. K. McCurdy	6 individuals	EE	490,169	1909	lease & option
	30 individuals	TT	288	1926	conveyance
	25 individuals	Z	42	1903	lease
	10 individuals	TT	300	1926	conveyance
	25 individuals	TT	78	1923	lease
	H. B. McCurdy	SS	66	1925	Agreement
Plaster Quarries Ltd.	2 properties	KK	326	1916	Deeds
Eastern Gypsum Co.	Walter Covert	JJ	157	1914	Transfer of gypsum rights (99 years)
"	Maritime Trust	OO	426	1922	R/M
Ingonish Gypsum Co.	4 properties	RR	216-220 442-445	1924	Deeds
Cape Breton Gypsum Co.	7 properties	UU	1,33,77, 256, 304	1927	J. Deeds
H. B. McCurdy	Atlantic Gypsum Co.	TT	116	1926	Option
Atlantic Gypsum Co.	H. B. McCurdy	TT	306	1926	Deed

Grantee	Grantor	Book	Page	Year	Nature
Iona Consolidated Gypsum	1 property	UU	227	1927	gypsum lease (99 years)
"	1 property	XX	177	1931	"
"	1 property	VV	279	1927	"
Atlantic Gypsum Co.	3 properties	UU	489-492	1928	Deeds
"	3 properties	TT	223,306	1926	Agreement of Sale
"	2 properties	YY	260	1933	Deed
Canadian Gypsum Co.	Iona Gypsum	YY	120	1932	S.D. (all deeds)
"	William Johnson	HH	272	1911	Q.C.D.
North American Gypsum Co.	1 property	UU	39-55	1927	Deeds
Plaster and Lime Products Ltd.	2 properties	WW	392	1930	Deeds
Iona Gypsum Co.	50 properties			1920-23	Deeds
Iona Consolicated	30 parties			1931	liens
H. B. McCurdy	15 individuals	AAA	440,6	1937	Q.C.D.
	10 individuals	III	426,416	1948	Options
	9 individuals	1	236	1950	Gypsum rights
	10 individuals	1	223	1850	Gypsum rights
	20 individuals	10A	68	1957	Options
H. B. McCurcy	Victoria Gypsum Co.	5	190	1954	Gypsum rights
		CCC	439	1940	Gypsum rights
Victoria Gypsum Co.	10 properties	ZZ	292,414	1935	Deeds
National Gypsum Co.	Atlantic Gypsum Co.	AAA	211	1936	Deeds and leases (forever)
"	"	AAA	268,304 358	1936	Gypsum leases
"	2 properties	CCC	451-455	1940	Q.C.D.
"	Newark Plast	CCC	450	1940	Deeds and leases (forever)
Gypsum, Lime Alabastine	North American Mining & Man.	GGG	423	1946	Transfer of gypsum rights (forever)

Grantee	Grantor	Book	Page	Year	Nature
Victoria Gypsum Co.	5 properties	5	185-190	1954	Gypsum rights (forever)
"	1 property	4	9	1953	"
Little Narrows Gypsum Co.	Victoria Gypsum Co.	5	194-197	1954	Deeds and leases
Domtar	Gypsum, Lime and Alabastine	13	42-43	1959	3 deeds, 3 leases (forever)
National Gypsum Co.	Victoria Gypsum Mining & Man.	10A	4-8	1957	Deed and Assignment
"	"	9	227	1957	Agreement to Bind Sale
"	2 properties	8	67-69	1956	Options (3 years)
Little Narrows Gypsum Co.	3 properties	15	12	1959	Option
"	4 properties	9	169	1957	Option
"	12 properties			1957-65	R of W
"	15 properties			1957-65	W.D.
"	1 property	20	10	1962	Agreement
Republic Gypsum Co.	C. M. Rosenblum	35	35	1968	Deeds

APPENDIX 3

a. WENTWORTH GYPSUM CO.

1912 - quarry is 5 miles east of Windsor
- E. Norman Dimock, manager
- George Shay, foreman
- first work done here by this company 37 years ago
- property consists of 5 square miles, the bed is 35 feet thick with about 25 feet of overburden, which is stripped by two steam shovels
- 3 quarries operating
- by far the largest operators in the province
- 15% lost in handling on account of heavy overburden
- product shipped to New York from Wentworth Creek two miles away
- all qypsum bought by J. B. King and Co.
- quarries known as "Meadow", "Fraser" and "Eagle Swamp"
- output 90,819 tons
- 88 men

1913 - quarries worked year round
- government diamond drill has been here for the last 12 months
- output 116,839 tons
- 135 men

1914 - new cable system at Fraser quarry, 500 feet long, 3 1/2 ton lift
- output 130,035 tons
- 200 men

1915 - another new cable at Fraser quarry
- output 119,819 tons
- 138 men

1916 - Fraser quarry is largest gypsum quarry in Nova Scotia
- gypsum is lifted to cars by aerial cables strung between towers
- output 185,464 tons

1917 - output 151,315 tons
- 185 men

1918 - output 41,067 tons
- 49 men

1919 - output 27,366 tons
- 120 men

1920 - opened by Meadow quarry
- output 118,191 tons
- 180 men

1921 - output 135,659 tons
- 185 men

1922 - two quarries operating
- company proposes to erect a crushing house with a belt conveyor to load ships
- output 148,950 tons
- 166 men, 56 carts and horses
- still largest producer in province
- property is 1200 acres
- 2 steam shovels used in stripping heavy overburden
- 15% lost in handling
- new crushing plant at pier run by electricity, capacity 150 tons per hour, broken from 6 inches to dust
- output 152,766 tons
- 241 men

1924 - Fraser quarry now called "Cable" - "model of efficiency"
- 40 feet of overburden
- overburden cleared well in advance of the wall
- output 189,290 tons
- 340 men

1925 - output 293,327 tons
- 349 men

1926 - operations taken over by the Canadian Gypsum Co.
- Otis Wack, manager
- 2 quarries now worked: Cables and Meadow

1927 - Cables' face - 1000 x 80 feet, 8 feet of overburden
- Meadow is 1 mile east
- company placed 3 new steamers in service, all have 5000 ton capacity
- output 529,436 tons
- 387 men

1928 - output 651,442 tons
- 532 men

1929 - output 768,883 tons
- 162 men

1930 - output 559,539 tons
- 204 men

1931 - output 531,122 tons
- 132 men

1932 - output 289,326 tons
- 115 men

1933 - output 225,326 tons
- 105 men

1934 - output 243,362 tons
- 105 men

1935 - new quarry, "Retreat", made by driving a 700 ft. tunnel south from west end of Cable quarry, a raise was then driven to the surface and stoped out
- W. F. Anderson, Manager
- output 284,544 tons
- 110 men

1936 - A. S. Willis, Manager
- output 396,237 tons
- 124 men

1937 - output 589,760 tons
- 165 men

1938 - operating 3 main quarries: "Dark", "Retreat" and "Mudbank"
- Dark located on the north limb of the anticline which passes through the property

1939 - now operating a number of quarries and "glory holes"
- output 875,354 tons
- 260 men

1940 - south boundary of operations is now up to the main road between Windsor and Brooklyn
- new quarry has been opened on the east side of the road leading from the old quarry to the plant
- output 887,722 tons
- 261 men

1941 - stone obtained from 2 separate quarries known locally as "Dark" and "White"
- 3 boats presently in service of company
- output 856,351 tons
- 195 men

1942 - output 347,914 tons
- 138 men

1943 - stone shipped by rail to their storage at Deep Brook, for winter shipping to U.S.
- output 147,629 tons
- 61 men

1944 - still taking some gypsum to Deep Brook
- output 244,247 tons
- 72 men

1945 - output 282,128 tons
- 61 men

1946 - storage shed in Deep Brook is soon to be abandoned
- building new shed and pier at Hantsport
- two new freighters under construction
- two company boats sunk by enemy during WW II

1946 - James Blight, quarry superintendent
- output 839,324 tons
- 156 men

1947 - company owns large tracts of land at Wentworth 2 miles from Windsor
- output 1,079,241 tons
- 250 men

1949 - output 1,547,106 tons
- 367 men

1950 - output 1,798,827 tons
- 361 men

1951 - output 1,788,345 tons
- 400 men

1952 - output 1,639,390 tons
- 400 men

1953 - company has changed from its' old style of one single continuous quarry face, now adopting the bench system with vertical drill holes to the bench depth of 30 feet
- output 1,790,120 tons
- 422 men

1954 - output 1,732,354 tons
- 422 men

1955 - output 1,953,437 tons
- 454 men

1956 - company is developing a modern quarry-crusher-loading plant at Miller Creek, production has not yet started but large quantities of overlying rock have been removed
- output 2,159,869 tons
- 500 men

1957 - Millers Creek put into production with the formation of 3 benched faces
- output 1,775,397 tons
- 443 men

1958 - company did no quarrying until late in the year due to a strike
- output 213,114 tons
- 194 men

1959 - output 2,663,424 tons
- 433 tons

1960 - output 2,143,154 tons
- 304 men

1961 - company improved its' facilities of Wentworth Creek with a sink-float plant for anhydrite recovery
- 120,000 tons of anhydrite produced
- output 1,989,139 tons
- 339 men

1962 - anhydrite used in Portland cement
- anhydrite 202,074 tons
- gypsum 1,782,641 tons
- 272 men
- became Fundy Gypsum Co. Ltd.

1963 - anhydrite 166,778 tons
- gypsum 1,992,614 tons
- 318 men

1964 - anhydrite 231,351 tons
- gypsum 2,033,691 tons
- 290 men

1965 - anhydrite 149,961 tons
- gypsum 1,681,898 tons
- 238 men

1966 - anhydrite 198,693 tons
- gypsum 1,681,113 tons
- 207 men

1967 - anhydrite 185,198 tons
- gypsum 1,494,878 tons
- 154 men

1968 - gypsum hauled to Hantsport by CPR
- shipped to U.S. to use for wallboard
- anhydrite 193,879 tons
- gypsum 1,544,794 tons
- 136 men

1969 - anhydrite 193,242 tons
- gypsum 1,719,155 tons
- 175 men

1970 - anhydrite 225,459 tons
- gypsum 1,417,746 tons
- 177 men

1971 - anhydrite 229,633 tons
- gypsum 1,123,457 tons
- 148 men

1972 - anhydrite 193,677 tons
- gypsum 1,544,692 tons
- 162 men

1973 - anhydrite 177,215 tons
- gypsum 1,469,258 tons
- 153 men

1974 - anhydrite 190,685 tons
- gypsum 1,475,457 tons
- 149 men

1975 - anhydrite 120,346 tons
- gypsum 912,873 tons
- 102 men

1976 - anhydrite 173,425 net tons
- gypsum 995,263 net tons
- 126 men

1977 - anhydrite 189,530 net tons
- gypsum 1,337,510 net tons
- 150 men

1978 - anhydrite 188,648 net tons
- gypsum 1,543,113 net tons
- 158 men

1979 - anhydrite 208,115 net tons
- gypsum 1,620,244 net tons
- 164 men

1980 - anhydrite 152,629 net tons
- gypsum 1,293,586 net tons
- 154 men

b. NEWPORT PLASTER MINING AND MANUFACTURING CO.

1912 - quarry 3 miles from Avondale towards Millers Creek, property owned is 4000 acres, all thought to be underlain with gypsum
- J. B. King and Co. are principal owners, they have been working this quarry for four years
- overburden stripped with steam shovel, gypsum is mined by hand and improves with depth, 5% lost in handling
- shipped at Avondale which is said to be the best shipping point on the Avon
- 3 locomotives, 75 5-ton cars, 3 1/2 miles of track
- quarry is being extended rapidly and a tunnel was driven last year to region the old quarry, a large deposit to the south
- output 55,000 tons
- 120 men
- to the east of the quarry are the old quarries at Millers Creek which have not been worked for many years, but which will likely be reopened by this company
- company's railway runs right into the quarry and the cars are loaded from single horse Scotch carts

1912 - difficulty was encountered because floor of quarry is on water level
- a large tunnel is being drilled 15° NE towards the second quarry
- the tunnel is expected to make all the gypsum on the floor accessible

1913 - Otis Wack, manager
- the tunnel to regain the old floor has been stopped
- output 45,692 tons
- 120 men, members of the Quarry Workers International Union

1914 - Captain Dan Monroe, manager
- output 48,137 tons
- 65 men

1916 - quarry being prepared for an aerial line which will extend 500 ft. across good gypsum deposit
- output 42,739 tons
- 75 men, 17 horses

1917 - output 26,343 tons
- 45 men

1918 - output 1500 tons
- 4 men

1921 - output 2710 tons
- 32 men
- ceased operations

1927 - company bought by Canadian Gypsum (Fundy)

c. MR. A. E. PARSONS (WALTON AND CHEVERIE)

1912 - leases both quarries from the Churchill estate

WALTON
- total output this year 22,500 tons, all work done by hand, 1 1/2 miles south of Walton
- 35 men
- gypsum harder with depth, 2% lost in handling
- overburden light
- almost continuous operation for 100 years
- compact grey-white and blue gypsum
- face 100 feet x 400 feet
- all gypsum quarried bought by J. B. King and Co., New York, and transported by that firm in it's own barges

CHEVERIE
- quarry is about 6 miles east of the mouth of the Avon
- two operations: Cove Quarry and Upper Head
- both very near the shipping pier
- 40 men

- 24,000 tons quarried this year, all taken by J. B. King
- the gypsum is hauled by horse 1 1/4 miles to the Cheverie dock

1913

WALTON
- new quarry called "South Mountain" opened, to be worked conjointly
- now operated by Mr. Parsons for Maritime Gypsum Co.
- one mile railway laid from wharf to quarry
- 2 locomotives
- output 31,000 tons

CHEVERIE
- output 24,000 tons

1914

WALTON
- output 35,000 tons
- 40 men

CHEVERIE
- output 39,000 tons
- 30 men

1915

WALTON
- output 17,800 tons
- 60 men

CHEVERIE
- one quarry ceased operation as further work would injure the highway
- shore quarry still operating
- output 18,000 tons
- 40 men

1916

WALTON
- 2 quarries
- output 21,425 tons
- 40 men

1917 - output 87,450 tons
- 70 men

1918 - output 9825 tons
- 28 men

1919 - output 12,327 tons
- 50 men

1920 - installed calcining plant and changed name to Rock Plaster Corp.
- output 33,000 tons
- 45 men

1921 - new plant is in successful operation
- output crude 6200 tons
- 35 men

1922 - two quarries known as North and South Mountain
- rock is cracked at the wharf and loaded on boats by conveyor belt
- output 58,3000 tons
- 70 men, 15 carts and horses

1923 - company formed in 1920 by consolidation of the Rock Plaster Manufacturing Co. of N.Y. and the N.Y. and N.S. Gypsum Corp of Manhattan
- it is successor to the Martime Gypsum Co. Ltd. formerly operated by Mr. A. Parsons who continues to be manager
- at the South Mountain quarry, the refuse of the old French working is now being shipped
- production is shipped from Walton Harbour
- plant at pier can load 250 tons an hour
- 15% loss in handling
- the anhydrite is shipped to Norfolk, Virginia for fertilizer
- output 92,400 tons
- 128 men

1924 - 69,000 long tons from Walton
- 7000 long tons from Cheverie
- 100 men

1925 - Walton gypsum shipped by chartered steamer
- Cheverie gypsum shipped by sailing vessel and used as a moisture retainer around peanut plants
- steampower is generated by coal to run crusher, conveyers, locomotove and steam shovel
- output 77,550 tons
- 116 men

1926 - the quarrying of Walton and Cheverie is now carried on by Atlantic Gypsum Products, Ltd., successors to Rock Plaster Corp.
- also, two new quarries 2 miles from the pier, called "Foul Meadow Quarries" were opened this season, production hauled by teams to the wharf at Cheverie

1927 - Mr. R. S. Parsons, new manager
- output 112,485 tons
- 149 men

1928 - output 90,017 tons
- 85 men

1929 - output 49,519 tons
- 48 men

1930 - output 18,000 tons
- 12 men

1931 - output 10,000 tons
- 20 men

1932 - output 98000 tons
- 20 men

1933 - output 9000 tons
- 290 men

1934 - output 27,853 tons
- 19 men

1935 - output 34,790 tons

1936 - company taken over by National Gypsum
- Mr. Albert Parsons, manager
- output 59,000 tons
- 40 men

1937 - output 75,583 tons
- 35 men

1938 - output 93,687 tons
- 25 men

1939 - output 77,518 tons
- 25 men

1940 - output 58,240 tons
- 28 men

1941 - output 78,245 tons
- 28 men

1942 - output 20,000 tons
- 22 men

1943 - output 38,000 tons
- 21 men
- shipped some gypsum to Montreal for Canada Cement Co.

1944 - output 53,000 tons
- 27 men

1945 - output 77,000 tons
- 25 men

1946 - output 183,000 tons
- 64 men
- stripping done by bulldozer and gas shovel

1947 - output 185,000 tons
- 52 men

1948 - output 193,500 tons
- 44 men
- a new quarry was opened 1/2 mile southeast of the main quarry

1949 - output 154,150 tons
- 45 men

1950 - output 193,460 tons
- 60 mens
- new quarry was opened on Fry's Mountain, 2 miles southeast of the main quarry

1951 - output 212,500 tons
- 55 men

1952 - output 207,548 tons
- 58 men

1953 - output 193,000 tons
- 40 men
- production all from Fry's Mountain quarry

1954 - output 221,000 tons
- 40 men

1955 - output 245,000 tons
- 41 men

1956 - output 165,000 tons
- 34 men
- operated by W. S. Parsons

1957 - output 165,204 tons
- 40 men
- an area 1 mile east of the Fry's Mountain quarry was stripped and benched until good gypsum was reached

1958 - output 140,000 tons
- 24 men
- anhydrite was quarried from the older quarries near the corner of the Wood Road and the main Walton Road over 2 areas of 1.2 square mile each
- the company obtained a lease to cover the mining of anhydrite, for which a royalty is payable

CHEVERIE
- output 74,181 tons
- 18 men
- also under contract to B. A. Parsons

1959 WALTON
- output 56,986 tons
- 41 men

CHEVERIE
- output 67,952 tons

1960 WALTON AND CHEVERIE
- output 190,383 tons
- 42 men

1961 WALTON
- output 32,600 tons of anhydrite for agricultural purposes

CHEVERIE
- output 100,200 tons
- 35 men

1962 WALTON
- output 30,468 tons anhydrite

CHEVERIE
- output 58,150 tons
- 23 men

1963 WALTON
- output 18,003 tons
- anhydrite 33,948 tons
- 27 men

1964 - output 18,670 tons
- anhydrite 41,498 tons
- 26 men
- gypsum from Fry's Mountain
- anhydrite from North Mountain, shipped to U.S. for peanut fertilizer

1965 - output 10,920 tons
- anhydrite 35,212 tons
- 20 mens

1966 - output 23,078 tons
- anhydrite 34,137 tons
- 22 men

1967 - output 18,500 tons
- anhydrite 44,000 tons
- 23 men

1968 - no gypsum quarried
- anhydrite 29,499 tons
- 20 men

1969 - anhydrite 30,000 tons
- under contract to B. A. Parsons

1970 - anhydrite 18,000 tons
- 13 men

d. CONNECTICUT ADAMANT GYPSUM CO.

1927 - Mr. Arthur Parsons, manager
- 2 new quarries called "Foul Meadow", opened by Atlantic Gypsum Products, were taken over by this company
- two miles inland from shipping pier
- material is hauled by teams but a railway is being constructed
- output 13,804 tons
- 88 men

1928 - output 19,030 tons
- 56 men

1930 - output 13,000 tons
- 11 men

1931 - output 10,769 tons
- 62 men

1932 - output 8561 tons
- 101 men

1933 - output 9000 tons
- 120 men

1934 - output 2240 tons
- 121 men
- output has not been steady

1935 - output 6686 tons
- 21 men
- quarry is 2 miles from shipping pier, one mile south of main highway

1936 - output 8982 tons
- 31 men
- quarry face is 18 x 500 feet
- taken from quarry to pier by truck

1937 - output 10,559 tons
- 16 men

1938 - output 13,724 tons
- 52 men
- gypsum shipped to New Haven, Conn.

1939 - output 13,031 tons
- 14 men
- run by Arthur Parsons

1940 - output 15,780 tons
- 21 men

1941 - output 13,485 tons
- 35 men

1942 - no quarrying

1943 - no quarrying

1944 - no quarrying

1945 - output 4256 tons
- 35 men

1946 - output 8710 tons
- 28 men
- took down quarry floor 5 feet

1947 - output 6000 tons
- 24 men

1948 - production ceased

1957 - land and leases purchased by National

e. THE WINDSOR PLASTER CO.

1891 - company started

1901 - develops to some extent its' Ellerhouse and St. Croix quarries, 1 1/2 miles from Newport

1906 - St. Croix quarry has quality but it has been idle while company works the Mosher quarry of Windsor Gypsum
- company has extensive mills at Windsor, equipped for crushing, grinding, calcining and packaging
- probably the only calcining plant in the province

1912 - company is opening up a new quarry at West Gore, 20 miles northwest of Windsor, to supply their mill in Windsor
- gypsum will be taken to Windsor via Dominion Atlantic Railway

1917 - output 6000 tons
- 20 men

1918 - output 1424 tons
- 5 men

1920 - output 3200 tons
- 9 men

1921 - output 7294 tons
- 21 men

1922 - 2 quarries: "Wilkins" and "Geo. DeWolf"
- gypsum taken by road to Windsor
- output 9092 tons
- 9 men

1923 - William Swinimer, quarry manager
- all gypsum goes to company calcining mill at Windsor
- men are paid by contract $1.50 per ton quarried
- output 8087 tons
- 10 men

1924 - Wilkins quarry is owned by the company and is 1 1/2 miles east of their Windsor mill
- quarry is operated on contract basis by William Swinimer, comprises 90 acres
- company also opened another quarry 1 mile from Clarksville
- most important market for finished product is Quebec and Montreal
- output 7720 tons
- 10 men

1925 - output crude 9568 tons
calcined 8000 tons
- 10 men
- all gypsum quarried is calcined

1927 - output crude 9776 tons
calcined 6041 tons
- 22 men

1928 - output crude 9435 tons
calcined 7500 tons
- 12 men

1929 - output crude 7201 tons
calcined -
- 8 men

1930 - output crude 6679 tons
calcined 5679 tons

1931 - output crude 8704 tons
calcined 7400 tons
- 33 men

1932 - company is purchasing the "spalls" from the Mosher quarry, hauled to plant by truck
- also operating quarry at Clarkesville on the Midland Railway, hauled to plant by train
- output crude 6438 tons
- 14 men

1933 - output crude 5837 tons
- 17 men

1934 - company operating a quarry on the land of Howard Smiley, 4 miles est of Brooklyn
- output crude 5966 tons
- 10 men

1935 - Jesse P. Smith, president
- William Swinimer, quarry manager
- all quarrying done by hand
- output crude 6442 tons
  calcined 7140 tons
- 19 men

1936 - quarry face is 55 x 100 feet
- output crude 8017 tons
  calcined 6846 tons
- 12 men

1937 - output crude 8204 tons
  calcined 7523 tons
- 13 men

1938 - output crude 6568 tons
  calcined 7105 tons
- 17 men

1939 - company opened a quarry on the land of John Fox, located on the road between Brooklyn and Newport, 1 mile west of Newport
- all gypsum quarried is calcined and sold within Canada
- output crude 6725 tons
  calcined 7491 tons
- 18 men

1940 - continued to operate plant on the "Ferry Farm"
- quarried from the old Mosher quarry on the property of Windsor gypsum
- output crude 6577 tons
  calcined 7919 tons
- 17 men

1941 - output crude 5146 tons
  calcined 5367 tons
- 15 men

1942 - output crude 6295 tons
  calcined 5442 tons
- 16 men

1943 - output crude 4599 tons
  calcined 4080 tons

1944 - quarried from the Veinot property at McKay Settlement
- output crude 5443 tons
  calcined 5095 tgons
- 16 men

1945 - output crude 9006 tons
  calcined 7883 tons
- 21 men

1946 - output crude 7924 tons
calcined 7580 tons
- 22 men

1947 - company operated a small quarry on the Maynard property in McKay Settlement
- output crude 9779 tons
calcined 5601 tons

1948 - output crude 4579 tons
calcined 4870 tons
- 20 men

1949 - quarrying at the old DeWolf[illegible]ty on the Marr property at Three Mile Plains
- output crude 4429 tons
calcined 4593 tons
- 18 men

1950 - output crude 5880 tons
calcined 5060 tons

1951 - output crude 7660 tons
calcined 6560 tons
- 19 men

1952 - output crude 7342 tons
calcined 4412 tons
- 19 men

1953 - output crude 6370 tons
calcined 3268 tons
- 8 men

1954 - quarry run by William Swinimer
- output crude 5500 tons
calcined 3120 tons
- 5 men

1955 - output crude 6168 tons
calcined 6332 tons
- 4 men

1956 - company taken over by Gypsum, Lime and Alabastine Co. of Toronto, they intend to enlarge operations
- quarry run by D. MacDonald
- output crude 13,110 tons
calcined 6029 tons

1957 - output crude 6831 tons
calcined 9342 tons
- 12 men

1958 - output crude 10,237 tons
calcined 6324 tons
- 12 men

NAPPAN
- company acquired areas, including old quarries, at Nappan and had contractors begin readying them for production

1959 MCKAY SETTLEMENT
- output crude 8442 tons
calcined 8250 tons
- 7 men

NAPPAN
- output crude 30,000 tons

1960 MCKAY SETTLEMENT
- output crude 6164 tons
calcined 6170 tons
- 12 men

NAPPAN
- run under contract by Hennessey and Spicer
- crude gypsum sent to Gypsum, Lime and Alabastine processing plant in Montreal
- output 35,820 tons
- 3 men

1961 MCKAY SETTLEMENT
- output crude 8456 tons
calcined 8456 tons
- 3 men
- only producer processing within Canada

NAPPAN
- output crude 31,472 tons
- 28 men

1962 MCKAY SETTLEMENT
- output crude 14,000 tons
- calcined 10,000 tons
- 3 men
- company taken over by Domtar

NAPPAN
- output 28,875 tons
- 9 men

1963 MCKAY SETTLEMENT
- output crude 13,000 tons
calcined 9500 tons
- 16 men

NAPPAN
- not operated this year

1964 MCKAY SETTLEMENT
- only company that processes in Nova Scotia
- quarries in "Maynard", in McKay, 12 miles from Windsor
- output crude 14,800 tons
- calcined 13,500 tons
- 11 men

1965 - output crude 12,550 tons
calcined 12,550 tons
- 3 men

1966 - output crude 13,750 tons
calcined 13,750 tons
- 4 men

1967 - output crude 13,073 tons
calcined 9676 tons
- 10 men

1968 - plant supplies markets in the eastern provinces
- output crude 12,726 tons
calcined 12,797 tons
- 9 men

1969 - output crude 13,835 tons
calcined 14,302 tons
- 10 men

1970 - output crude 10,153 tons
calcined 13,482 tons
- 11 men

1971 - output crude 12,891 tons
calcined 12,593 tons
- 9 men

1972 - output crude 16,932 tons
calcined 16,930 tons
- 9 men

1973 - output crude 16,273 tons
calcined 15,845 tons
- 10 men

1974 - output crude 11,521 tons
calcined 12,344 tons
- 9 men

1975 - output crude 15,487 tons
calcined 15,708 tons
- 10 men

1976 - output crude 16,900 net tons
calcined 17,946 net tons
- 10 men

1977 - output crude 14,378 net tons
calcined 14,403 net tons
- 11 men

1978 - output crude 12,177 net tons
calcined 12,162 net tons
- 12 men

1979 - output crude 10,484 net tons
calcined 10,342 net tons
- 11 men

1980 - output crude 8067 net tons
calcined 8026 net tons
- 9 men

f. WINDSOR GYPSUM CO.

1906 - almost all output taken by Higginson Manufacturing of N.Y.

1912 - Thomas A. Mosher, manager
- property contains 180 acres
- same bed as the Wentworth quarry but less overburden, 12 feet, removed by hand
- most gypsum is shipped at Windsor to N.Y., taken to Windsor via a spur of the Dominion Atlantic Railway
- 5% lost in handling
- first work was done here by this company about 21 years ago
- output 23,000 tons
- 35 men

1913 - one of the best kept quarries in the province
- output 22,059 tons
- 50 men

1914 - quarry closed in September
- output 12,128 tons
- 25 men

1916 - quarry did not open until August
- output 3700 tons
- 12 men

1917 - output 17,000 tons
- 25 men

1920 - output 17,150 tons
- 50 men

1921 - output 3500 tons
- 66 men (for 2 months)

1922 - output 11,200 tons
- 45 men, 15 carts and horses

1923 - quarry is 6 miles east of Windsor, 180 acres owned by company
- Miss Effie Mosher, general manager
- face is 25-30 feet high, average overburden 30 feet
- stripping is done by 50 H.P. gasoline crane with 6 side dumping cars
- 5% lost in handling
- output 26,025 (taken by Higginson)
- 40 men

1924 - the company is American with head office and mill at Newburg, N.Y.
- output 27,423 long tons
- 40 men

1925 - overburden removed in two lifts by gas shovel
- drilling done by hand augers
- output 27,300 tons
- 55 men

1927 - Effie Mosher still manager
- output 22,271 tons
- 38 men

1928 - output 21,309 tons
- 55 men

1929 - output 18,665 tons
- 36 men

1930 - output 17,335 tons
- 46 men

1931 - output 3220 tons
- 22 men

1932 - output 6090 tons
- 31 men

1933 - output 5323 tons
- 31 men

1934 - ceased production

g. NOEL PLASTER CO.

1906 - company begins operations near Noel

1912 - W. B. O'Brien, manager

1912 - property contains 100 acres, 35 hold gypsum of excellent quality, little overburden, face is 35 ft. high
- quarrying is all done by hand and the gypsum is taken by horse cart to the wharf at Noel Harbor 2 miles away to go to N.Y. (J. B. King)
- 5% lost in handling
- a railway line is proposed which will make this a good property for cheap development
- work stopped in June, nothing done since
- 16 men employed for 6 months

1913 - put in operation this spring
- output 4000 tons

h. MARITIME GYPSUM CO.

1909 - installed Ledgerwood cable system

1912 - quarry at Nappan
- Mr. Arthur T. Avard is superintendent
- works are about 1 1/2 miles eastward of Nappan Station and consist of 14 acres estimated to contain 3 million tons
- output 24,533
- quality is the same throughout the bed
- overburden averages 9 feet
- 3% lost in handling, face is 75 ft. long
- 60 men employed, all are insured
- production shipped from company pier at Amherst Point 2 1/2 miles away
- first work done here by this company 8 years ago

1913 - 70 men
- this company has taken over the management of the Walton quarries, leased from the Churchill estate
- output 29,769 tons

i. CANADA CEMENT CO.

1927 - company owns large tract of gypsum-bearing land on west side of Antigonish, 6 1/2 miles from Antigonish railway station
- prospecting work done this year

1928 - land sold to Nova Scotia Gypsum Co.
- C. W. Edmunds, superintendent
- C. G. Quirk, assistant superintendent
- no gypsum quarried yet, still doing construction
- N.S. Gypsum to supply Canada Cement

1929 - construction was suspended and no gypsum was quarried as Canada Cement made arrangements to receive its gypsum from Atlantic Gypsum Products in Cheticamp

1942 - Nova Scotia Gypsum Co. struck from corporate register

1954 - land and leases revert to Crown due to revised statute

1961 - Crown grants gypsum rights of Nova Scotia Gypsum to Little Narrows Gypsum Co.

j. GREAT NORTHERN MINING AND RAILWAY

1906 - preliminary work done

1907 - company is incorporated, capital $2 million
- Herbert Aucoin, manager
- quarry at Belle Marche
- estimated to hold 25 million tons

1908 - company constructs a selenite mill at Eastern Harbour and starts making and shipping selenite plaster

1909 - during the year they have manufactured and shipped: wall cement, finishing plaster, plaster of paris, dental and statuette plaster, cracked gypsum and land plaster (anhydrite)

1912 - quarry face is 125 feet high with little overburden
- 3% loss in handling
- 8000 tons quarried this year
- average of 50 men employed
- all the gypsum produced is maufactured at the quarry then shipped to Montreal or Quebec
- plant capacity is 50-60 tons of plaster per day
- 3 square miles under lease
- gypsum beds inclined at 45° NW

1913 - quarry and plant idle most of the year
- output 4927 tons

1914 - two quarries have been opened, one south and one east of the old workings
- output 6000 tons
- 60 men
- pier is complete and can handle 3000 tons burthen steamers

1915 - production ceased

1923 - property worked by International Gypsum Co.

k. INTERNATIONAL GYPSUM CORP., LTD.

1923 - Manager, Joseph W. McFarland
- this property formerly operated by Great Northern Mining and Railway Co. which ceased work some years ago
- this company organized this year with a capital of $1,000,000, is now getting plant ready for operation
- 409 tons quarried

1923 - quarry and mill 3 miles east of the shore of Eastern Harbour
- property covers area of 3 square miles and is leased from Mr. P. M. O"Neil of Montreal, for a term of 50 years, at a royalty of 0.02/ton of finished product
- estimated to contain several million tons of good gypsum, overburden averages 2 feet
- present company operates quarry at rear of mill
- gypsum is massive and dips 45°NW
- open face is 40 feet high, 3% loss in handling, grade improves with depth
- all grades of plaster will be produced as well as shipments of crude rock
- new 30 ton locomotive, 30 six ton cars
- mill has capacity of 199 tons per day
- 66 men

1924 - now called "P. M. O'Neil Gypsum Co."
- Joseph McFarland still manager
- 1320 tons quarried, producing 1113 tons of plaster
- no shipments made but considerable work done to mill
- bedding planes show dip 35° NW
- 1/4 mile east of mill are two other areas ready to produce: first is 124 feet long, 90" high, second is 100 feet long, 75 feet high
- 65 men employed for 2 months

1925 - no work carried on this year

1926 - no work carried on this year

1927 - company taken over by Atlantic Gypsum Products, Ltd.
- Joseph W. McFarland still manager
- quarry at Belle Marche 3 miles east of Cheticamp
- 3 square miles of land under lease
- mostly construction and clean-up
- output 40,000 tons
- 64 men

1928 - old quarry face cleared up and new one opened, the two are now combined
- output 58,736 tons
- 62 men

1929 - output 147,260 tons
- 172 men

1930 - output 224,104 tons
- 126 men
- opened third quarry southeast of old storage shed

1931 - output 158,106 tons
- 64 men
- land held under lease

1932 - output 84,600 tons
- 45 men

1933 - three quarry faces operating
- several years ago a deposit of gypsum was explored by the company, in Aspy Bay, and arrangements were made for the federal government to make a breakwater
- it is quarried by hand and power shovel, taken by cart to the crusher and by 3-ton dumptrucks to storage bins at the harbour 1 1/4 mile away
- also managed by Joseph W. McFarland

1934 CHETICAMP
- output 92,431 tons
- 46 men

DINGWALL
- output 44,585 tons
- 42 men

1935 CHETICAMP
- output 120,569 tons
- 68 men
- quarrying ceased in October

DINGWALL
- output 16,208 tons
- 55 men

1. NATIONAL GYPSUM CO.

1936 CHETICAMP
- operations of Atlantic Gypsum taken over by National Gypsum Co.
- still under management of J. W. McFarland
- 3 square miles held under lease
- a railway connects the 3 quarries with the crushing and storage plant at Cheticamp
- output 163,155 tons
- 33 men

DINGWALL
- National also took over this operation from Atlantic
- J. W. McFarland also superintendent here
- output 45,240 tons
- 23 men

1937 CHETICAMP
- output 292,487 tons
- 73 men

DINGWALL
- output 96,150 tons
- 33 men

1938 CHETICAMP
- output 119,691 tons
- 53 men

DINGWALL
- output 125,203 tons
- 35 men
- John Morrison, quarry superintendent

1939 CHETICAMP
- output 64,009 tons
- 46 men
- quarry faces extended
- shipments curtailed because of lack of ships

DINGWALL
- output 269,738 tons
- 111 men

1940 CHETICAMP
- ceased operation

DINGWALL
- output 356,958 tons
- 82 men
- J. Morrison, Superintendent

1941 DINGWALL
- output 299,314 tons
- 77 men
- three shovels are in use so that day and night operations can be carried on

1942 - output 196,895 tons
- 56 men

1943 - no quarrying

1944 - output 112,716 tons
- 30 men
- Cheticamp quarry no longer worked

1945 - output 203,384 tons
- 105 men

1946 - output 590,443 tons
- 155 men
- 5 power shovels in operation
- intensive diamond drilling

1947 - output 819,920 tons
- 300 men
- head office still in Cheticamp

1948 - output 989,261 tons
- 220 men
- C. B. Hume, Manager

1949 - output 671,865 tons
- 150 men

1950 - output 894,559 tons
- 170 men

1951 - output 1,048,356 tons
- 185 men
- production obtained from "half-mile deposit" and a new quarry just east of the road leading to the plant

1952 - output 923,789 tons
- 196 men

1953 - output 815,381 tons
- 168 men
- some of the company's equipment was moved to the Milford district where a new quarry is to be opened up

1954 - output 1,115,775 tons
- 176 men
- this year saw the conclusion of the company's production in the Dingwall area
- they have commenced development of a very large deposit at Dutch Settlement, Halifax county
- $6 million project includes plant, rail, quarry, dock and loading facilities at Wright's Cove, north of Dartmouth on the Bedford Basin

1955 DINGWALL
- no more quarrying, only shipments from stockpile
- 36 men

EAST MILFORD
- gypsum hauled 31 miles by rail (CNR) to Wright's Cove
- 3 specially designed ships of 15,000 ton capacity being built to take gypsum to eastern U.S.
- output 1,927,249 tons
- 113 men

1956 - output 1,358,242 tons
- 120 men

1957 - output 1,578,528 tons
- 143 men

1958 - output 1,422,852 tons
- 123 men

1959 - output 1,822,864 tons
- 138 men

1960 - output 1,653,594 tons
- 135 men

1961 - output 1,440,204 tons
- 113 men

1962 - output 1,791,386 tons
- 103 men

1963 - output 1,647,361 tons
- 109 men

1964 - output 1,626,414 tons
- 108 men
- largest single quarry in province
- some gypsum shipped to Montreal

1965 - output 1,770,721 tons
- 103 men

1966 - output 1,808,758 tons
- 89 men

1967 - output 1,220,252 tons
- 81 men

1968 - output 1,570,272 tons
- 70 men

1969 - output 1,556,649 tons
- 70 men

1970 - output 1,959,361 tons
- 65 men

1971 - output 1,986,000 tons
- 92 men
- National has abandoned its anhydrite operation in Walton

1972 - output 2,349,287 tons
- 78 men

1973 - output 2,467,967 tons
- 76 men

1974 - output 2,358,200 tons
73 men

1975 - output 1,862,975 tons
- 74 men

1976 - output 1,775,178 tons
- 72 men

1977 - J. R. Cameron, Manager
- C. F. MacIntosh, quarry superintendent
- output 2,136,128 tons
- 72 men

1978 - output 2,395,957 net tons
- 86 men

1979 - output 2,413,756 net tons
- 103 men

1980 - output 2,039,776 net tons
- 79 men

m. NOVA SCOTIA COAL AND GYPSUM CO.

1926 - Mr. John Renwick, superintendent
- commenced operations in September on gypsum deposits located about 5 miles out the harbour from Mabou

1927 - Mr. Bowser, superintendent
- output 22,335 tons
- 35 men

1928 - output 14,950 tons
- 31 men

1929 - output 8683 tons
- 21 men

1930 - output 651 tons
- 21 men
- all shipment made by water to Montreal

1931 - output 9042 tons
- 27 men

1932 - output 2597 tons
- 62 men
- the gypsum near the mill is now being removed by tunnel system due to considerable overburden

1933 - John Rankin, superintendent
- output 2231 tons
- 20 men
- all gypsum shipped to Montreal

1934 - no production

n. BESTWALL GYPSUM CO. (GEORGIA - PACIFIC CORP.)

1961 - located at River Denys Station
- cleaning and stripping quarry area and construction of storage shed and loading facilities on the Canso Strait

1962 - shipping from Point Tupper
- all gypsum shipped to U.S.
- output 193,052 tons
- 32 men

1963 - output 721,448 tons
- 60 men

1964 - gypsum shipped to plants in Montreal and U.S.
- output 661,932 tons
- 61 men

1965 - output 651,452 tons
- 62 men

1966 - shipped to processing plants in Delaware, Georgia and Louisana
- output 543,652 tons
- 60 men

1967 - output 514,618 tons
- 51 men

1968 - output 601,999 tons
- 52 men

1969 - output 626,042 tons
- 58 men

1970 - output 554, 501 tons
- 63 men

1971 - output 362,918 tons
- 46 men

1972 - output 713,961 net tons
- 46 men

1973 - output 755,843 net tons
- 46 men

1974 - output 700,345 net tons
- 54 men

1975 - output 540,320 net tons
- 44 men

1976 - output 653,894 net tons
- 43 men
- R. Grant and J. Graham, managers

1977 - output 707,756 net tons
- 43 men

1978 - output 774,172 net tons
- 43 men

1979 - output 785,175 net tons
- 43 men

1980 - output 674,156 net tons
- 43 men

o. VICTORIA GYPSUM MINING AND MANUFACTURING

1891 - company began operating on land conveyed to it by William F. and Elizabeth McCurdy

1912 - "quarry is under superintendance of W. Clarence Lodge
- "property consists of 200 acres held in fee simple", estimated to contain about 2 million tons
- 113 men, all insured
- output 26,362 tons
- present face 80x300 feet
- 90 tons/day, loss of 4% in handling
- gypsum is shipped from the company's wharf at Munroe Point 3 1/2 miles from quarry, to Chester, PA
- the present floor of the quarry is anhydrite and it is not known whether gypsum underlies it
- radiating tracks are laid from the shipping platform in the centre of the quarry to all parts of the face
- company owns 4 1/2 miles of track and 2 locomotives
- there is also a second quarry 1.2 mile west, only recently opened but because of sinkholes and uneveness, no even face has yet been attained

1913 - a new quarry is being prospected 1 mile south of the present works, 200 tons removed so far
- output 39,525 tons

1914 - output 40,019 tons
- 125 men

1915 - business prosperous, new warehouse erected
- proposed to build a calcining plant at their pier in 1916
- output 32,157 tons

1916 - the quarry is about to be abandoned
- a gypsum mine will be opened, the only one in Nova Scotia, in August it consisted of an addit driven 180 feet and a slope driving to join it
- production down due to scarcity of shipping and men
- gypsum shipped to Keystone, PA

1916 - output 17,935 tons
- 30 men

1917 - production ceased

1957 - company sold property and leases to National Gypsum Co.

p. NEWARK PLASTER CO.

1907 - company new in province, busily engaged in preparatory work at Ottawa Brook

1912 - Mr. John Y. Gillis is supperintendent
- "property contains 50 square miles, held under lease"
- gypsum is good and improves with depth
- 40 tons a day quarried, loss of 5% in handling
- 1500 tons shipped this year
- average force of 25 men, uninsured
- considerable difficulty in quarrying because of entensive sinkholes, so there are a number of working faces
- shipping is from the company's wharf a mile from the quarry connected by a narrow quage railway
- all production shipped to Newark, N.J.

1913 - operations have been somewhat spasmodic this year
- 25 men still employed
- output 3300 tons

1914 - has received new life
- old quarry abandoned and new one opened 2 miles west, promises larger output
- railway extended to new quarry
- Calvin Tomkins, general manager; J. Y. Gillis, financial agent
- output 1100 tons
- 8 men employed

1915 - shipped only 400 tons
- 20 men, steam shovel being used to build railway to new quarry
- new quarry should be in operation by 1916

1916 - quarried 925 tons but made no shipments due to scarcity of vessels
- railway still being extended

1918 - output 1500 tons
- 4 men

1920 - calcinating plant installed
- output 2000 tons crude gypsum
- 26 men (plant construction)

1921 - 5 quarries in operation, one is underground
- 35 men during summer months

1921 - 17,400 tons of crushed product shipped
- crusher is at pier

1922 - underground work has been closed down
- 54 men, 10 carts and horses

1923 - property held in "fee simple" (?)
- quarry is 1/4 mile west of the "Trestle" at Ottawa Brook
- quarry connected with McKinnon Harbour by 1 1/2 mile railway
- 3 faces being worked by steam shovel, 10% lost in handling
- boarding house near works accomodates men for 0.75 a day
- quarry worked all year
- output 22,359 tons crude
- 40 men

1924 - Manager, C. R. Fancy
- quarry consists of a number of open cuts, four faces being worked
- surface material is allowed to come down with the gypsum and is then carted away
- before shipping the gypsum is passed through a crusher set at 2 1/2 inches
- company has lots of territory for future development
- output 25,710 tons
- 70 men

1925 - floor grades are arranged to avoid trouble from water
- output 22,284 tons
- 50 men

1926 - loading done at company pier at the entrance of McKinnons Harbour

1927 - quarries located 1/4 miles northwest of the trestle which is 500 yards west of Ottawa Brook Station (CNR)
- output 9614 tons
- 28 men

1928 - no production

1940 - property and leases purchased by National Gypsum

q. VICTORIA GYPSUM CO.

1935 - commenced operation at Little Narrows, south shore of Patrick Channel, 1 mile east of Little Narrows car ferry
- owns very large deposits, worked some years ago by the Great Bras D'Or Gypsum Co.

1936 - the property, embracing 800 acres, has deep gypsum beds with little overburden
- a plant costing $1 million has recently been put into operation
- R. W. Green, president
- Edwin F. Burnham, manager
- out put 5000 tons
- 30 men

1937 - output 26,784 tons
- 22 men

1938 - gypsum deposit is 3000 feet back from lake, centers around a deep ravine
- output 73,466 tons
- 42 men

1939 - output 53,759 tons
- 28 men

1940 - output 29,640 tons
- 22 men

1941 - numerous potholes cleaned out by hand ahead of quarrying
- output 46,710 tons
- 22 men

1942 - output 4952 tons
- 20 men

1943 - no quarrying this year

1944 - no quarrying

1945 - no quarrying

1946 - shipments made to U.S. and Sweden
- R. Charlick, manager

1947 - output 51,330 tons
- 22 men

1948 - new quarry opened 1300 yards west of old workings
- output 148,982 tons
- 35 men

1949 - output 181,341 tons
- 35 men

1950 - production mainly obtained from the "MacRitchie" quarry which was opened last year
- output 299,667 tons
- 40 men

1951 - output 235,852 tons
- 46 men

1952 - output 187,668 tons
- 44 men

1953 - quarrying from the "Darr" quarry 1 1/2 mile east of MacRitchie
- output 222,556 tons
- 47 men

1954 - company was bought by Little Narrows Gypsum Co., Ltd. at year end
- output 306,040 tons
- 50 men

1955 - output 482,050 tons
- 72 men

1956 - output 384,209 tons
- 86 men

1957 - new quarry opened near the crusher
- output 419,708 tons
- 84 men

1958 - increased demand due to strike at Canadian Gypsum Co.
- output 1,293,864 tons
- 136 men

1959 - output 408,893 tons
- 47 men

1960 - output 321,030 tons
- 59 men

1961 - purchased extensive gypsum rights in Antigonish county
- output 413,366 tons
- 47 men

1962 - anhydrite 12,586 tons
- gypsum 391,328 tons
- 59 men

1963 - anhydrite 18,594 tons
- gypsum 402,548 tons
- 66 men

1964 - anhydrite shipped to Ontario, Montreal and Florida for use in making cement
- anhydrite 25,348 tons
- gypsum 403,098 tons

1965 - anhydrite 58,437 tons
- gypsum 387,466 tons
- 74 men

1966 - anhydrite 46,491 tons
- gypsum 325,586 tons
- 67 men

1967 - anhydrite 23,448 tons
- gypsum 328,343 tons
- 48 men

1968 - anhydrite 46,583 tons
- gypsum 418,835 tons
- 74 men

1969 - anhydrite 78,111 tons
- gypsum 473,796 tons
- 63 men

1970 - anhydrite 57,704 tons
- gypsum 682,391 tons
- 98 men

1971 - andydrite 73,193 tons
- gypsum 1,015,741 tons
- 58 men

1972 - anhydrite 78,822 net tons
- gypsum 1,129,356 net tons
- 62 men

1973 - anhydrite 66,406 net tons
- gypsum 1,107,118 net tons
- 62 men

1974 - anhydrite 90,040 net tons
- gypsum 1,032,387 net tons
- 68 men

1975 - anhydrite 97,486 net tons
- gypsum 660,317 net tons
- 51 men

1976 - anhydrite 55,093 net tons
- gypsum 921,994 net tons
- D. MacAdam, manager

1977 - anhydrite 55,587 net tons
- gypsum 941,870 net tons
- 72 men

1978 - anhydrite 103,236 net tons
- gypsum 1,052,387 net tons
- 75 men

1979 - anhydrite 101,549 net tons
- gypsum 1,107, 470 net tons
- 80 men

1980 - anhydrite 38,810 net tons
- gypsum 693,130 net tons
- 65 men

r. IONA GYPSUM CO

1914 - Began work at Grass Cove in January to develop a quarry and plaster mill
- property held in fee simple
- office at 309 Charlotte Street, Sydney
- the works are 2 miles from the Iona Station on the InterColonial Railway by the shore of the Bras D'Or Lake
- good gypsum which improves with depth
- mill capacity 60 tons/10 hours, 25% lost in calcining
- 20 men
- place name has been changed to Gypsumville
- small cargo has been shipped to Toronto and a few local sales

1915 - The demand for plaster was strong
- output 2579 tons
- 1000 tons sent to Australia, the rest to Halifax and Montreal

1916 - 35 tons quarried per day, 85% calcined
- property estimated to contain 25 million tons
- worked by hand, year round
- plaster shipped to Quebec, Newfoundland and Ontario
- output 6012 tons
- 25 men

1917 - output 10,000 tons
- 30 men

1918 - no shipments made

1919 - output 1675 tons
- 6 men

1920 - output 6000 tons
- 50 men

1921 - quarry operated as an open face from 80-100 feet long, 30 fet high
- estimated 5 million tons in present quarry
- 1/8 mile south of plant is another deposit estimated to contain 1 1/2 million tons
- the rock is delivered to the mill in 1 ton cars, crushed pea size then delivered to grinders and crushed to "cornmeal"
- from there it is delivered to calcining kettles where it is made into plaster of paris, then graded into dental, moulding, finishing or hard wall plaster
- navigation is closed for 5 month
- 9121 tons of finished product shipped
- 20 - 35 men

1922 - it is reported that Iona Gypsum will start a new quarry 1 mile from Little Narrows, in the near future
- output 1658 tons
- 7 men

1923 - company has been succeeded by Iona Gypsum Products, Ltd.
- organized in September with a capital of $250,000, all Canadian investment
- mill and quarry at Grass Cove, connected by spur to the CNR
- property is owned by the company and comprises 640 acres, average overburden 2 feet
- mill produces 80 tons a day
- shipped to New York or sent by rail to points in Canada
- new 400 foot pier
- 10,818 tons finished product

1924 - H. C. Ballem, manager
- I. W. Buckley, plant manager
- face being worked is right beside mill 600 x 30 feet, overburden 3 feet
- company also working second face 1/2 mile south
- very good white quality
- method used is to spring bottom then shoot down the upper part
- shipments of finished product are made to the U.S. and throughout the Maritime Provinces, Newfoundland and Quebec. Also have made some shipments to New Zealand
- output 10,420 tons calcined plaster

1925 - demand for plaster increasing because of its looks and fireproof properties
- for the New Zealand trade a popular board is made in sections 3/8"x2 1/2'x6'-12'
- mill has capacity of 30,000 tons per year
- company coopers its' own barrels
- output 11,061 crude tons
9,680 calcined tons
- 46 men

1926 - company calcines entire output

1927 - output 5510 crude tons
4723 calcined tons
- 34 men

1928 - considerable drilling done this year
- 5570 crude tons
- 1220 calcined tons
- 30 men

1929 - output 6692 crude tons
5627 calcined tons
- 28 men

1930 - output 5313 crude tons
4579 calcined tons
- 27 men

1931 - output 2981 crude tons
2554 calcined tons
- 50 men

1932 - output 275 crude tons
241 calcined tons
- 30 men
- company sold to Canadian Gypsum (Fundy)
- production ceased

s. NORTH AMERICAN GYPSUM CO.

1927 - Henry M. Evans, general manager
- quarry at Plaster Mines, about 4 miles from Baddeck
- first shipment made this summer
- output 1911 tons
- 27 men

1928 - narrow gauge railway 1 mile long, constructed from deposit to shipping pier at Baddeck Bay
- output 5771 tons
- 14 men

1929 - output 9578 tons
- 19 men

1930 - output 18,513 tons
- 68 men

1931 - quarry face extended during the year and preparations made to open quarry 1/4 mile east
- output 11,139 tons
- 54 men

1932 - R. H. Royce, general manager
- output 9975 tons
- 34 men

1933 - output 4614 tons
- 23 men

1934 - output 2000 tons
- 2 men

1935 - no quarrying done

1936 - all gypsum shipped to Rutland, Vermont
- output 4681 tons
- 21 men

1937 - no quarrying

1938 - no quarrying but diamond drilling was started in the fall

1939 - property purchased by Gypsum, Lime and Alabastine (Canada) Ltd.
- John Renwick, manager
- output 10,200 tons
- 58 men

1940 - output 10,543 tons
- 30 men

1941 - output 11,000 tons
- 24 men

1942 - no quarrying

1962 - property bought by Domtar

t. INGONISH GYPSUM CO.

1924 - S. A. Steven, manager
- subsidiary of the Canada Cement Co.
- quarry is located 1 mile north of Ingonish pier
- has 25 acres of excellent gypsum ground with lots of opportunity for future work
- mostly preparation this year
- one face extends along the water's edge 100x35 feet
- extending at a right angle from the east end towards north is another face 75x35 feet
- northwest from here is a third face that is being worked
- overburden is light except in cavities
- this year's output was taken by Canada Cement to use as a retarder for cement
- 35 men for 6 months

1925 - S. A. Stevens, president
- O. L. Lamey, manager
- drilling done by hand auger, overburden washed off with water
- company supplies Canada Cement
- output 29,320 tons
- 45 men

1926 - still quarrying on north side of Ingonish Harbour
- J. Narsted, manager
- O. L. Lamey, plant superintendent
- new quarry opened this year on the eastern portion of the property

1927 - output 85,803 tons
- 42 men

1928 - output 96,311 tons
- 40 men

1929 - output 13,600 tons
- 27 men

1929 - company ceased operation and some of the equipment was taken over by Atlantic Gypsum Products of Cheticamp

u. CAPE BRETON GYPSUM CO.

1926 - Mr. N. M. McLean, manager
- quarry is located 1/2 mile N of Iona Station, opened up this summer
- standard one kettle calcining plant is being erected
- all grades will be manufactured

1927 - quarry and plant did not operate this year

1928 - quarry and plant did not operate this year

APPENDIX 4

- Property and leases which are known but have not been located:

a. Hants County

- Fundy Gypsum's predecessor, Canadian Gypsum, received extensive rights from Wentworth Gypsum, Newport Gypsum, J. B. King and E. Dimock. The company has undoubtedly since purchased much of this leased property in fee simple and these fee simple properties are among those that have been located. None of the remaining leases have been located and their acreage is unknown.

- Connecticut Adamant Plaster Co. to National Gypsum, leases comprising 123 acres.

- Janis Risberg to National Gypsum, leases comprising 600 acres.

- McCurdy to National, leases comprising approximately 100 acres.

- Gypsum, Lime and Alabastine to Domtar, leases comprising approximately 300 acres.

- Churchill Estates Ltd. hold at least 4000 acres under lease in the Walton area which have not been located.

b. Halifax County

- McCurdy to National, leases comprising 8300 acres.

c. Inverness County

- Atlantic Gypsum Products to National Gypsum, possibly a few acres still held in fee simple.

- Nova Scotia Coal and Gypsum to Domtar, unknown amount around Mabou Harbour.

d. Victoria County

- Victoria Mining and Man. to National Gypsum, lot 4, schedule A, comprising 100 acres in fee simple, miscellaneous lots comprising 100 acres under lease.

- Newark Plaster to National, parcels 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 comprising approximately 100 acres in fee simple and approximately 100 acres of leases.

- Iona to Fundy, it is unclear whether or not all the property involved in this transaction has been found.

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